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B. C. Fruit In London

Commissioner Palmer in Charge of Exhibit Makes Report to Government.

A List of the Various Prizes Won by the Individual Exhibitors.

Agent-General Turner Writes an Interesting Letter Bearing on Competition.

HON. R. G. TATLOW, minister of finance and agriculture, is in receipt of the following letters, which are self explanatory:

London, Eng., Dec. 7, 1905.

Dear Sir:—I have the honour to enclose herewith for your information a list of the awards given to the Exhibits of British Columbia apples at the recent Colonial Fruit Show held by the Royal Horticultural Society at their Hall, Vincent Square, London, S. W., on the 5th and 6th inst. The result achieved will, I feel sure be very gratifying to yourself and to the fruit growers of the Province. At the close of the exhibition the fruit exhibited was repacked and distributed in over one hundred different lots to various parts of the United Kingdom for the purpose of being sold at a later date.

I propose going to Liverpool on the 11th inst., to arrange for the distribution and exhibition of that portion of the original consignment which is held in storage at Liverpool. It is intended to place this fruit in Manchester, Glasgow and Dublin. Very great interest has been taken in the recent exhibition both by the general public and by the wholesale and retail fruit dealers of London. Copies of press notices will be forwarded from the office of the Agent-General for the province at an early date. The display of fruit is stated to have been the finest ever made in London; and we are receiving hearty congratulations.

The medals awarded will be ready for distribution in two or three weeks time.

(Signed) R. M. PALMER.

List of Awards

given to collections of British Columbia apples at the Colonial Fruit Show held by the Royal Horticultural Society in London, Eng., Dec. 5th and 6th, 1905.

The Province of British Columbia. Gold medal; J. C. Garrett, Trout Creek, B.C., silver gilt Knightian medal; J. R. Brown, Summerland, silver Knightian medal; Thos. W. Stirling, Kelowna, silver gilt Knightian medal; The Coldstream Estate, Vernon, silver gilt Knightian medal; Thos. G. Earl, Lytton, silver Knightian medal; Mrs. J. Smith, Spence's Bridge, silver Knightian medal; Kootenay Fruit Growers' Association, silver Bankian medal; J. L. Pridham, Kelowna, silver Bankian medal.

Agent-General Pleased

Office of the Agent General for British Columbia, Salisbury House, Finsbury Gardens, London, England.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow,
Minister of Finance and Agriculture,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:—You were informed by cable on 5th inst., of the success of the province, and of the individual exhibitors of B. C. fruit at the show of the Royal Horticulture Society on that date in obtaining one gold medal and eight silver medals.

Mr. Palmer is reporting fully on the show so it is not necessary for me to go into details. I think it right, however, for me to say how very admirably Mr. Palmer arranged the fruit for exhibition. He had a great deal of hard work over it being in the hall all day Saturday and Sunday opening the cases and examining and placing the fruit. Having a large lot enabled him to make a really important showing, such as was not possible last year, the result was well worth all the labor and trouble, for the British Columbia display was perfect in arrangement and the beauty and quality of the fruit drew universal admiration and commendation from many connoisseurs from the press of London and country.

The success of the individual exhibitors as shown by the medals they won must prove highly satisfactory to them, as it has to me; as I had strongly advised such individual exhibits in my letter of 21st March and 17th May last, and on my representation the secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society sent out circulars for an individual show.

It has been now fully demonstrated to the British public that British Columbia has a good climate and a productive soil, and that its fruit can be sold here so as to give a profit to its growers; though probably not for some time until the supply is greater, the best markets for the average fruit will be in the Northwest. It is also now proved to the great fruit brokers here that the province can grow a very high class of fruit of finest quality and beautiful appearance such as is required for the great West End fruit dealers, and for this I have no doubt

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CHRISTMAS DINNER WILL TASTE ALL THE BETTER IF YOU DRINK THORPE'S PALE DRY GINGER ALE

VESSEL WRECKED AND ALL HANDS ARE LOST

British Ship Pass of Melfort Driven Ashore at Entrance to Barclay Sound and Entire Crew of Twenty-Five Men Reported Drowned---Three Bodies Washed Ashore.

BRITISH bark Pass of Melfort was lost with all on board on the West Coast of Vancouver Island on Tuesday night. She was bound from Ancon, which port was left on October 27th in ballast for Port Townsend, was endeavoring to make her way into the straits during the heavy southwest gale of Tuesday night when she was driven on to a lee shore about a quarter of a mile east of Amphitrite point at the western entrance to Barclay sound. The ship struck the outlying rocks and the tremendous seas soon pounded the steel bark to pieces.

Bodies of the unfortunate crew were being washed ashore when A. H. Lynch of Uclulet telegraphed the news of the disaster to Capt. James Gaudin, local agent of marine. His despatch reads: "Vessel went ashore last night quarter mile east of Amphitrite point. One body recovered dressed in oil skins and overalls; two more seen washing in the surf, impossible to reach. Several ship's buckets marked 'Pass of Melfort,' barometer, some cabin wreckage, boat hooks, snashly one similar to those shipmasters painted white and much wreckage in small rocky bay. No wreckage on either side. Opinion vessel very close to shore. Two spars visible, washing about, evidently anchored. Torn paper with name 'John Houston,' apparently part of log-book, large photograph of fifteen men

taken at break of poop, evidently Captain, apprentices and some of crew. Everything possible being done to recover more bodies."

The Pass of Melfort is a large steel four-masted bark which has been seen at many of her sister ships, in this port. She was last reported by Capt. Olson of the British ship Brodick Castle now in Royal Roads which latter vessel was also endangered when making her way into the straits during the heavy gale. The Pass of Melfort sailed by the Brodick Castle when in the latitude of southern California and Capt. Olson expected to find that the Pass of Melfort had arrived here before him.

The Brodick Castle's experiences when making her way into the straits shows how the Pass of Melfort must have fared in the darkness during the terrific gale. The Brodick Castle drove before the wind with her lower topsails and main upper sails and foresail, and Capt. Olson says he was in great danger. As he said yesterday: "It was the toughest bit of sailing I have ever done." The Pass of Melfort when making in toward the entrance to the straits had been caught by the fierce squalls accompanied by heavy downpours and lightning and was carried toward the Island coast, toward which the high seas and currents were setting. Off Amphitrite point, at the westerly entrance to Barclay sound

there are many reefs and the big iron bark of 2341 tons, drove with terrific force onto the rocks.

The great rollers which swept in from the stormy ocean soon battered the wreck to pieces, and what efforts were made by the unfortunate seamen to save themselves will never be known—for not a man escaped to tell the tale of the terrible disaster which involved the lives of from 24 to 30 men. "No boat would have lived in such a sea even if the sailors had got one over when the bark was pounding to pieces on the rocky coast, and the doomed sailors had not a fighting chance for their lives. They were torn from the wreck and engulfed. Then the sea which dashed out the lives of the sailors began sweeping the lifeless bodies on shore together with the splintered pieces of the bark.

Unless the remainder of the log book, a piece of which, with the name of John Houston on it was washed ashore, is found, the names of the drowned men may not be known. The photograph of the fifteen including the Captain is evidently one similar to those shipmasters are so fond of having taken at their different ports of call, when part of the ship's company is massed at the break of the poop. This photograph may be the means of identifying some of the lost.

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High Honors For Dead Minister

First Class Battleship Dominion Will Convey Remains to Halifax.

The French Government Offers Military Funeral to Late Canadian.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier this afternoon cabled the cabinet's acceptance of the offer of the British admiralty to send H. M. S. Dominion to Halifax with the remains of the late Hon. R. Prefontaine. Before the offer could be accepted several matters had to be considered and cablegrams were exchanged with the colonial office. Arrangements as to the date of sailing and such like will be made. Dominion, which is a first class battleship. A similar distinction marked the funeral of Sir John Thompson, whose remains were sent across the sea on a British cruiser.

Lord Tweedmouth's Offer

Following is a copy of a cablegram received by Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "London, Dec. 27.—We have heard with deep regret of the death of your colleague, Mr. Raymond Prefontaine, Canadian minister of marine, with whom the admiralty have been so recently in such cordial relationship, and I beg to offer His Majesty's battleship, the Dominion, to convey the remains to Halifax, Nova Scotia, if agreeable to your government. The Dominion would be at Cherbourg on January 12 for this purpose, and reach Halifax January 22. (Signed) Tweedmouth, First Lord Admiralty."

Answer to the Admiralty

The answer is: "To Lord Tweedmouth, Admiralty, London: Accept my sincere thanks for your offer of the Dominion to convey the remains of my late lamented colleague from Cherbourg to Halifax. We are pleased to accept, but I would ask you to consult Solicitor-General Lemieux, now in Paris, and ascertain from him if date would be convenient. (Signed) Laurier."

The French government has offered a military funeral to the late minister, a compliment which is highly gratifying to Canadians in high official life.

WELL KNOWN EDITOR DEAD.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 27.—William Purvell, for many years editor of the Union and Advertiser, died this evening. He had not been actively engaged in newspaper work since 1900.

FIRES LIGHT LANDSCAPE.

American Reaches St. Petersburg and Tells of Sights en Route.

St. Petersburg, Monday, Dec. 25.—(via Eydtukhnen, Dec. 27).—W. E. Smith, a well-known American resident of St. Petersburg, who arrived here today from Berlin, reports that 80,000 armed insurgents from the Baltic provinces, having crossed the railroad between Riga and Pskoff, and that the whole country is lighted up by fires from burning residences. He says that the insurgents who are well armed, and who have a battery of machine guns announce that they are "annexing" the region to the "Lithuanian Republic."

Rich landed proprietors and their families boarded the train at Pskoff with nothing but hand satchels. They told Mr. Smith that they were glad to escape alive.

A despatch from Pskoff, in the northwest of Russia, Dec. 26 says that armed Letts who crossed the line of the railroad, after burning and pillaging estates and tearing down images and other sacred relics in the churches, retreated to the eastward, and that troops from St. Petersburg were pursuing them.

GETS LIFE IMPRISONMENT:

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 27.—Charles Darby, who shot Stephen Linker, on the night of September 23d, during a street fight was found guilty of murder in the second degree today and Judge Rorabach sentenced him to life imprisonment.

FOR COAL FERRY.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 27.—The directors of the Pennsylvania company at their meeting today approved a joint agreement between that company, the Canadian Pacific and J. W. Ellsworth, of Cleveland, for the operation of a car ferry service between Ashtabula, Ohio and Port Barwell, Ont., whereby the Canadian Pacific will be enabled to get its supplies of coal for its locomotives and for other purposes.

OFFICERS TO BE PROSECUTED.

Principals in South African War Stores Scandal to Be Tried.

London, Dec. 27.—The war office, on the advice of the royal commission, headed by Mr. Justice Farwell of the British High Court of Justice, now sitting in South Africa, has ordered the prosecution of the officers concerned in the South African war stores scandal.

"HORRIBLE STORY" FAILED TO ARRIVE

Press Correspondent's Unsuccessful Attempt to 'Phone St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—11:30 p. m.)—There is no further news from Moscow tonight. The Associated Press correspondent there succeeded in getting the St. Petersburg bureau by telephone tonight, but he had only uttered the words, "I am going to tell you a horrible story," when he was cut off. Since then nothing has been heard from the correspondents. The guards regiment was despatched to Moscow by train tonight. This is considered rather ominous.

S. T. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—A message from Moscow says that during the night the artillery worked at demolishing the barricades. The revolutionists, the message says, are divided into three armies. The first, consisting of 800 men armed with rifles and pikes, is operating between Moscow and Perovo, on the railroad, which it controls. Artillery and cavalry are being employed against this force. The second "army" is armed especially with bombs and revolvers, and is composed of 1,000 persons, in whose ranks are many women, who not only display bravery but even ferocity. This force occupies the region between the Sadovia district and the Jewish market, has many barricades to prevent the passage of troops, and is operating in small groups and in detachments. The third army, the revolutionists disappear into alleys and houses. Artillery, cavalry and infantry are used against this body. The third and largest "army" is operating in the region between the Brest railroad station and the triumphal gate. It also has many barricades and is engaged in the troops to enclose it. Some of the barricades were battered down by artillery, but they were re-erected by the revolutionists. The school where the Moscow revolutionary committee held its sessions has been destroyed. The engineers' union here has just received news from revolutionary sources at Moscow that the Rostoff regiment has joined the revolutionists.

Pacific Coast Happenings

Many Vessels Suffer From Encounters With Heavy Storm at Sea.

Crew of Wrecked Portland Reach Seattle and Report the Vessel's Condition.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 27.—The steam schooner Charles Nelson, Tacoma, for San Francisco, put in to port in distress today, having run into a heavy gale off Cape Flattery. Her deck cargo had shifted her fresh water supply was exhausted and her engine room was full of water.

The British ship Scottish Lochs, with coal from Cardiff for Bremerton, reached this morning, 142 days out. Sunday, when thirty miles off Cape Beale, August Rollan, a sailor, was knocked off his feet, breaking his neck.

Struck by Typhoons

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Bark Iceda, which sailed from Manila October 20, for Port Townsend, put into port today in distress. While off the island of Luzon she was exposed to a succession of typhoons which began on October 30th and continued for forty days. Her sails were blown away, part of the sheathing torn from the hull and serious damage was sustained. With but a few sails left she made for this harbor, where she will be repaired.

Another Vessel Disabled

Steamer Acme from William Harbor for this port, is being towed in by the steamer Chehalis. An accident to the Acme's main boiler disabled the vessel.

Pacific Islands for Sale

An advertisement appearing in a local paper offers for sale the freehold of Fanning and Washington islands, in the South Pacific, under instructions of the registrar of the British high commissioner's court for the Western Pacific. Fanning island is well known. It used to be a port of call for the Oceanic steamers plying between this city and the Australian ports and the Canadian Pacific steamers now stop there on their way up from the colonies.

Jeffries Has Retired

Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—Jas. J. Jeffries announces he will pay no attention to the challenge of "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien, to fight him for the heavy weight championship of the world. "I have retired for good and shall pay no attention to challenges from anybody," said Jeffries.

N. P. R. Plan 'Frisco Line

Portland, Dec. 27.—Northern Pacific Railroad company's plans, on completion of the north bank road into Portland is to put on two immense passenger and freight steamers between this city and San Francisco. The steamers, will carry 500 passengers and will average in speed twenty miles an hour.

The Stranded Portland

Seattle, Dec. 27.—The crew of steamer Portland arrived here this morning. They say the vessel is badly twisted and at high tide is submerged up to the captain's room.

Two Launches Wrecked

Blaine, Wash., Dec. 27.—The gasoline launch Ella and Captain Simonsen's launch were wrecked near here during the storm on Tuesday. No lives were lost.

Jones to Be Extradited

Bellingham, Dec. 27.—Harry Fischer, alias Fred Jones, wanted at Vancouver, B. C., for perjury in connection with the Jackson murder case was taken to Blaine at noon today to stand trial for extradition before the United States court commissioner at that place.

Jake Terry Scandalized

Jake Terry, who has figured in some wildly sensational stories during the past few days, as a man who had the town of Seabus terrorized on Christmas day is in the city today assisting a law firm and Sheriff Williams in the settlement of the marital affairs of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lindsey. Terry is not in best of humor as the result of the stories that have grown out of his efforts to defend the property of Mrs. Lindsey, whom he claims he represents as agent.

Dominion News Notes

Sir Sandford Fleming Explains Offer of Sale of Pacific Islands.

Movement in Favor of Senator Templeman Taking Cabinet Position.

Assets of York County Loan Before the Investigating Commission.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The Dawson rifle company have been disbanded, and the Nelson rifle association has been disbanded for being non-effective.

Notwithstanding the protests of certain officers of bonded warehouses, the new regulations go into effect January 1. There is a slight modification, however, of the terms under which services of lockers are to be requested.

Sir Sandford Fleming, speaking today in reference to an advertisement in a San Francisco paper offering for sale Washington and Fanning Island in the South Pacific, the latter being one of the landing points of the Panama canal, said it was not the sovereignty of the islands that is being sold, but simply the freehold interest.

Edward Fauquier, Ottawa, was married today in St. George's church by Rev. Sir. Sturgeon to Ethel Winifred, the daughter of Comptroller White of the Northwest Mounted Police. The newly married couple left for New York and will sail by the Celtic to spend the winter in the Mediterranean.

British Columbia Representation

Montreal, Dec. 27.—It is reliably stated in local Liberal circles that Quebec will have to sacrifice one of the portfolios in the cabinet in order to make way for increased representation for Western Canada, and in this connection it is said Hon. William Templeman, British Columbia's representative in the cabinet, will become minister of inland revenue in succession to Hon. L. P. Brodeur, who will become minister of marine and fisheries in place of the late Hon. Raymond Prefontaine. The same authority says the growing West must have increased cabinet representation.

James Douglas, for the last sixteen years chief hardware appraiser of the port of Montreal, died here tonight.

S. E. Gourley Reported Dying

Halifax, Dec. 27.—S. E. Gourley, ex-M. P. for Colechester, who was brought here for treatment at Nova Scotia hospitals, is reported to be dying.

York County Loan Co.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Examination into the affairs of the York Loan & Savings Company of this morning resulted in estimating the assets at \$2,040,634. The liabilities by the last statement were \$2,235,980, and these were known to have been considerably reduced in some respects through items totaling about \$100,000 having been cancelled. The affairs of the company will be aired before the legislature during the coming session. James Bicknell, K. C., stated today that he proposed to apply for special legislation for direction and reorganization of the company. He added that he had not withdrawn the application to have the winding-up proceedings conducted under the Ontario act.

Damaged by Fire

Damage to the extent of \$45,000 was done by fire that broke out this morning in the printing establishment of Henry W. Froude, the Oxford University Press. A live wire is supposed to have caused the fire.

Ontario's Mineral Output

The value of Ontario's mineral output in 1904 was \$11,572,647.

Winnipeg Wireings

Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—The Ottawa hockey team arrived tonight and were cordially welcomed to the west. They play the first game of the series tomorrow.

Announcement was made tonight that Arthur Wicksom, one of the best known bankers of Western Canada, will retire from the management of the local branch of the Merchants' Bank, a position he has occupied for 24 years. He has spent 40 years in banking, 20 of which he has been in the service of the Merchants, occupying responsible positions in Ontario, Montreal and New York.

Cattle Having Hard Time

Calgary, Dec. 27.—H. C. McMullen, C. P. R. live stock agent, has returned to Calgary, where he had been superintending the shipment of some export stock from Cardston. He reports the recent mild weather had considerably relieved the anxiety of the stockmen, as cattle were having a hard time in breaking the frozen crust on top of the snow to get food. Cattle so far are doing well, the loss up to date being very low.

Gordon and Ironsides and P. Burns & Co. are each shipping trainloads of cattle from the Cardston and Milk river districts. These districts are obtaining prominence in the cattle raising industry and promise to rival some of the other more important points.

Lumber Mill for Strathcona

Edmonton, Dec. 27.—The Edmonton Lumber Company, capitalized at \$200,000 has been incorporated and will erect a mill at Strathcona, having a capacity of 40,000 feet daily.

Manitoba Senior Hockey

Portage la Prairie, Dec. 27.—Brandon defeated Portage here tonight in the first game of the Manitoba senior hockey league, by a score of 5 to 2.

SUGGESTIVE CITIZENSHIP.

Wife of Lanky Bob Takes Up Residence in South Dakota.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 27.—It was given out today that Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons, who arrived here recently from New York, has been a resident of this city. Mrs. Fitzsimmons is the wife of Robert Fitzsimmons, the prize fighter.



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THREE NEGROES KILLED.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 27.—In a battle between a posse of white men and three negroes near Williams cross roads, Choctaw county, Alabama, last night, two negroes were killed and the third captured.

JOHN BURNS' DEBUT.

Labor Member of Cabinet Makes a Characteristically Vigorous Speech.

London, Dec. 27.—John Burns, president of the local government board, made his first public address since his entry to the cabinet, when he opened the election campaign at Battersea to-night. In a characteristically courageous speech he said his accession to office was the elevation of his constituents to power—the honor was theirs, but the work was for him. He declared that he would pander to no section of the people, but would do his duty for the benefit of the whole community.

Mr. Burns said he had strong sympathy with all the interests of the working classes, that he had no sympathy to spare for the loafer, idler or drunkard. His ideal was fewer workhouses, larger wages, more pleasure and less drinking.

In the smaller cities and at the larger villages he said he was already appointing committees to enable the ratepayers to have their accounts prepared in such a way that he who ran might read.

He vigorously attacked what he called "orientalized imperialism" of which South Africa was the fruit and South Africa the rotten ripe product. He denounced Chinese labor as being politically dangerous because it would lead to "absolute chattel slavery."

Moscow's Death Roll

An Independent Estimate Places
Casualties in Ancient Capital
at 15,000.

Arms of the Revolutionists Said
to Come From Germany
and Belgium.

Revolts Being Put Down by
Military With Merciless
Hand.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—From an independent source the Stovo declares that it has learned that the bloodshed at Moscow has been frightful, that the casualties will reach 15,000 and that about 100 Red Cross workers have been despatched from St. Petersburg to Moscow to aid in caring for the wounded. The paper also says it has learned that the arms of the revolutionists mostly came from Germany and Belgium.

The information of other papers is that while admitting that the revolutionists are showing signs of exhaustion they do not regard the issue as decided.

The employees of the Rizeu Ural railroad struck today.

The Narodniks and a dozen satirical papers have been suppressed and their offices sealed up by the police.

Interior Minister Durnovo has issued an order directing the removal of all officials of the ministry of the interior who are actively participating in the socialist campaign. Among others are four editors of the official Russian news agency.

The Bourse Gazette announces that Prince Peter A. Kropotkin, the famous revolutionary leader, is on his way to St. Petersburg, being free under amnesty decree to return to Russia.

MACHINIST KILLED.

Schenectady, Dec. 27.—Albert Hildebrandt, a machinist, was struck and killed by an engine today while on his way to work. He is survived by a wife and three children.

JAMES HAZEN HYDE DEPARTS.

Former Juggler of Equitable Surplus Leaves for That Dear Paris.

New York, Dec. 27.—James Hazen Hyde will sail tomorrow for Havre. He will go to Paris for an indefinite period.

AMERICAN ARISTOCRACY.

Daughter of Unhappy Princess Colonna Weds French Count.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Princess Blanca Colonna, daughter of Princess Stiglano and granddaughter of Mrs. John W. Mackay, widow of the late "Bonanza" king, was married today to Count Jules de Bonvouloir at the church of St. Honore de Ylaur.

Result of First Grand Prize Drawing, Dec. 20th, at J. M. Nagan & Co's 61 Douglas Street, Balmoral Block:

1.....263	26.....1,799	51.....287	76.....897
2.....2,554	27.....1,105	52.....252	77.....178
3.....452	28.....1,596	53.....371	78.....2,307
4.....1,416	29.....1,848	54.....214	79.....1,632
5.....2,547	30.....2,291	55.....2,359	80.....1,473
6.....2,799	31.....656	56.....2,273	81.....1,592
7.....272	32.....1,997	57.....479	82.....2,650
8.....2,947	33.....592	58.....1,428	83.....963
9.....751	34.....1,848	59.....1,130	84.....813
10.....1,981	35.....1,513	60.....2,635	85.....2,244
11.....932	36.....2,503	61.....154	86.....1,762
12.....2,559	37.....629	62.....326	87.....1,179
13.....1,086	38.....2,621	63.....2,470	88.....2,428
14.....1,386	39.....2,112	64.....1,630	89.....590
15.....1,218	40.....1,790	65.....480	90.....510
16.....1,572	41.....2,312	66.....1,552	91.....1,414
17.....2,240	42.....1,848	67.....1,021	92.....1,001
18.....2,688	43.....697	68.....1,433	93.....1,18
19.....1,755	44.....1,082	69.....553	94.....1,074
20.....683	45.....2,635	70.....2,645	95.....2,551
21.....1,474	46.....185	71.....906	96.....2,242
22.....1,187	47.....1,848	72.....2,490	97.....2,222
23.....363	48.....2,146	73.....2,292	98.....1,471
24.....1,016	49.....2,548	74.....2,452	99.....1,733
25.....2,663	50.....2,614	75.....2,481	100.....1,817

JAPANESE FANCY GOODS

NEW YEAR'S SALE

And Second Grand Prize Drawing Competition

FIFTY prizes, ranging in value from \$75 down to \$50., to be drawn for January 20. Every purchaser to the value of \$50. receives a numbered ticket, entitling the holder to a draw for these prizes. The first prize is a very large and handsome Japanese vase.

Apert from the prize drawing competition, we are giving a present to every purchaser to the extent of 50 cents and upwards; the value of this present always to be governed by amount of purchase.

Balmoral Block J. M. NAGANO & CO. 61 Douglas St

Christmas Greeting

We wish all our patrons a very Merry Christmas, and we wish to thank them for their patronage in the past, and trust that after Christmas, when we are in our new premises, we may still be favored with their patronage. We also invite the public at large to come and see us, and we will do our best to entertain you while there.

We move on Tuesday, 26th, and we would deem it a favor if you would reserve your orders until Wednesday, 27th, when we will be in a position to fill them properly.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

DIED

HICKS.—At the family residence, 90 Menzies street, on the 27th instant, Helen, the beloved wife of Captain Robert Hicks, a native of Paisley, Scotland, in 75th year of her age. The funeral will take place from the residence as above, on Friday, December 29, at 2:30 o'clock. Friends please accept this intimation.

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LOST—A brown feather muff in the waiting room on the corner of Esplanade and Craigflower roads. Reward will be given if returned to this office. d28
LOST—Cow. Finder return to Joseph S. Smithers, corner Tennyson street and Doris street. Cow had 3 large teats and one small. Reward. d28

NOTICE

NOTICE—The person who removed 2 parcels, one a fur, other Chatter Box, on the 23rd December, from V. & S. station, Victoria, please return to this office and save further trouble. d28
STAMPS—For 25c. we will send 75 assorted, used and unused, including Chili, Bolivia, Cuba, Haiti, Uruguay, Mexico, etc. Send today. Correspondence invited. Clippard Stamp Co., Pape Avenue, Toronto, Canada. d28

MERCHANT SERVICE GUILD

MERCHANT SERVICE GUILD will hold its regular meeting Thursday, December 28 inst., at 8 p. m. Annual report will be presented and other business transacted. d28

SEVEN SUTHERLAND SISTERS

Seven Sutherland Sisters beg to announce to the ladies and gentlemen of Victoria that they have made arrangements with Fawcett's Family Drug Store, corner of Douglas street and Kings' road, and will hold daily demonstrations for two weeks, commencing Monday, December 25, regarding treatment of the hair and scalp. They respectfully invite everyone to call and consult with them. Come and see the long, beautiful hair grown by the use of the Seven Sutherland Sisters Hair Grower and Hair and Scalp Cleaner. Canadian head office, 11 Colborne Street, Toronto. J. H. Bailey, Foreign Manager. d28

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BERNHARDT PROTESTS.

Actress Appeals to French Ambassador Against Theatrical Syndicate.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Through her managers, Sam and Lee Herbert, Sarah Bernhardt, the actress, who is touring this country, today appealed to M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, to protest against what she terms a discrimination of the so-called theatrical syndicate against her as a citizen of France. Ambassador Jusserand asked for a complete record of the case and stated that he will review the matter with a view to possible instructions to the French consul in New York to take any action the latter may deem expedient.

New York, Dec. 27.—Charles F. Yerkes, the noted Chicago capitalist, who also has extensive interests in London, is officially ill at the Waldorf Astoria hotel tonight, being kept constantly under the influence of opiates. Dr. Loomis, who has attended Mr. Yerkes since his illness began six weeks ago, stated tonight unless there should be a sudden change for the better, Mr. Yerkes might not live more than twenty-four hours longer. Mr. Yerkes' wife, son and daughter are at his bedside.

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B. C. Fruit In London

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whatever that a higher price can be obtained in London and Liverpool than in any other country. There is always a large demand for such high quality of fruit and it always commands such a price as to ensure a good profit to the growers, conditional of course to its being well packed and in good condition.

When I urged the government in 1902 and subsequently to make these shows in London of British Columbia fruit, I always had this result in my mind, feeling confident that such a plan would educate the people here by example as to the desirability of British Columbia as a country to live in; and that it would also result in creating a demand here for the fruit product. I may add that in the fruit departments at Army and Navy stores and at Watling Bros., which two firms bought a good deal of the fruit, there was a rush of customers to purchase it, and the departments looked like a British Columbia advertisement for they were placarded with British Columbia posters and decorated with photos from this office.

The colonial fruit show as a whole was not however, a success, in the first place the Dominion government, that had promised the secretary to make a good exhibit withdrew from it, and the display of tropical fruit was limited. Then again December is too late for the public and the attendance consequently not large; whereas at the British Fruit show held in October, there was a great crowd of visitors, if it was possible to get British Columbia fruit here for that month it would be more satisfactory. However after all the greatest effect will be caused by British Columbia fruit being on show in the shops throughout the cities and great towns.

(Signed.) J. H. TURNER.

RUSSIAN FINANCE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The budget for 1906 estimates the ordinary revenue at \$50,000,000 in excess of the ordinary expenditure, but shows that the government will require \$150,000,000 additional to liquidate the war expenditure. The Emperor has signed a ukase empowering the minister of finance to issue \$200,000,000 short term gold bonds for sale abroad, not any of which, however, are yet known to have been taken.

Vessel Wrecked All Hands Lost

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The scene of the wreck is within a quarter of a mile of the location of the whistling buoy not long ago placed off Amphitrite point. On his last trip from the Island coast shortly before Christmas, Capt. Townsend of the steamer Queen City reported that the whistling buoy had disappeared, and the Canadian steamer Quadra was sent to search for the missing buoy on Thursday last. The government steamer returned Saturday without having found any trace of the missing buoy.

The Pass of Melfort was a four-masted steel bark, built at the Fairfield yards at Glasgow, under Lloyd's inspection, in 1891, for Gibson & Clark, owners of the fleet of sailing ships bearing the names of different passes. The vessel was 238.8 feet long, 44 feet beam and 24.5 feet deep. She had a steel deck, sheathed with wood, and two tiers of beams. Her gross tonnage was 2,346 and net tonnage 2,201.

It is learned that the name John Houston on a piece of paper, as mentioned in the despatch from Uchulet, is that of her previous master, who took charge when the vessel was built. Captain Cougal was in charge of the bark on her ill-fated voyage.

There are four other vessels of Gibson & Clark and one is at present bound to Chemainus. The other vessels of the company are the Pass of Brander, Pass of Killarney, Pass of Leny and Pass of Balmah. The Pass of Brander has been chartered to load lumber at Chemainus, but, being delayed, the Pass of Balmah, now en route from Sallinas Cruz, was substituted.

REMODELING NANAIMO MILL.

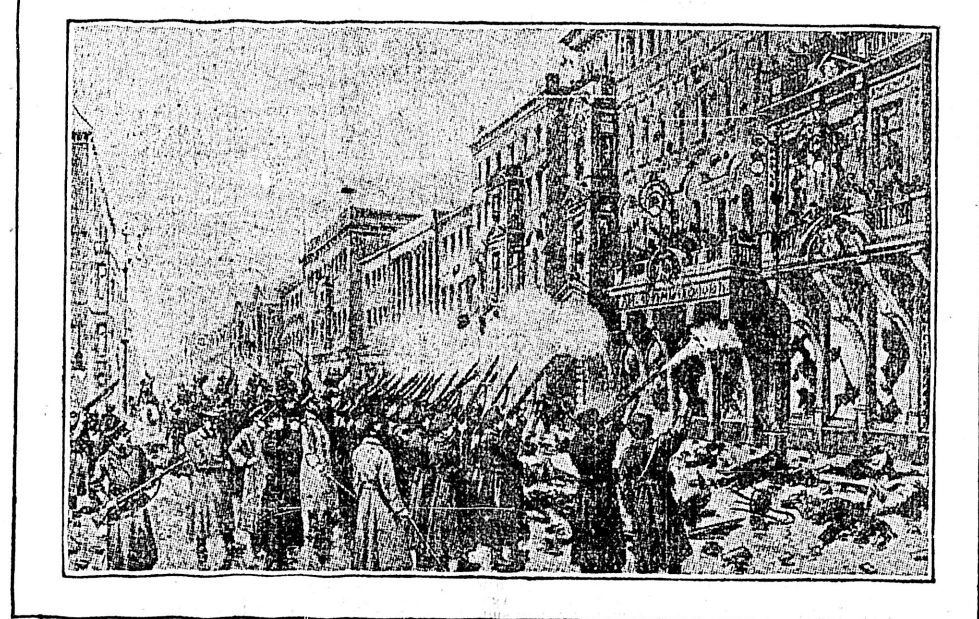
Plant to Be Made One of the Finest in the Province—Herring Fishing.

Nanaimo, Dec. 27.—W. Munroe of Victoria and J. S. Emerson of Vancouver, who are heavily interested in the Nanaimo Lumber Company, are here today to discuss plans for remodeling the mill into one of the best plants in British Columbia. The E. & N. connection with the mill still hangs fire. The Western Fuel Company, which controls most of the property along the proposed route, has protested against the construction of the branch. A conference between the branch company and the management of the mill, held today, the entire matter was gone into, but the conclusion arrived at was not divulged.

The boom of logs seized from the tug Sea Lion the other day is still held, pending instructions from the government. It is now clear that the whole affair was a mistake on the part of the camp foreman as to the routing of the boom.

Depleting Herring Fisheries

There is considerable indignation among local fishermen at the methods employed by Japanese in catching herring in the harbor, which it is claimed is rapidly depleting the supply. Inspector Taylor has been asked to protect this industry and has under consideration the prohibition of all fishing in certain parts of the harbor. The Japanese have a large force for the last few days working here and have caught immense quantities of fish. Last night the catch of one firm ran as high as 150 tons. The catch was made with a drag net, and knowing as if by instinct the best places in the harbor, these fishermen seldom return without a good catch. The Nanaimo Fishing Company, on the other hand, use a gill net, and where their nets will catch one fish the Japanese catch a hundred. In looking over four hundred weight of fish, Mr. Miller, foreman of the Nanaimo Fisheries Company, said that these were hardly a bucketful that could be caught in his nets. He had not picked one third of the amount he intended this year, owing to the inability of his men to catch the fish.



TROOPS FIRING AT RIOTERS IN A MOSCOW STREET.

THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER.

Giddy Thespian the Cause of Fatal Shooting in Illinois.

Danville, Ill., Dec. 27.—Charles H. Smith of New York, a member of the "Two Johns" theatrical company, was shot and fatally wounded this afternoon by P. C. Cooper of New York, a member of the Morris Straud company. The shooting occurred in Smith's room in the Saratoga Hotel, and resulted from a quarrel between the two men over Mrs. Cooper. Cooper, who was accompanied to the hotel by Harry Harris and James Young, finding Smith's room locked, fired five shots through the door. Cooper arrived unexpectedly and found his wife in the company of Smith. An exciting scene followed, in which Smith assaulted Cooper with his fists. Cooper went out and it is said, told Walter Young that he wanted him to help him out of some trouble. Judge Phillips held the men under \$5,000 bonds.

NOTES FROM THE ROYAL CITY.

New Westminster, Dec. 27.—(Special)—The city council last evening ratified the agreement with the V. W. & V. Ry., whereby the latter obtain a lease of seven waterfront lots for 12 years with option of renewal. The conditions of the lease require the railway company to immediately commence the construction of wharves and railway buildings and to complete the same on or before August 31 inst.

The city has also leased these waterfront lots to the Western Fruit Packing Company for \$150 each per annum with a rebate of 25 per cent. If it employs to white employees all the year round. A five acre park for Sapperton has also been purchased by the city, and as there is a good prospect of a number of deep sea vessels coming to this port during 1906, the council has guaranteed \$1,800 for a pilot's salary, provided a regular pilot for the river is engaged and resides in this city.

Complaints having been made respecting the indifferent telephone service, Mayor Keary has been instructed by the council to take the matter up with the company. It is alleged that all the old equipment from the Victoria and Vancouver is brought over here and used in the local central office, resulting in a poor and inefficient service.

The receipts from the city electric light plant this year are the largest in the history of the city. The total amount of bad debts, through unpaid charges, incurred by the electric light department since it has been owned by the city (over 10 years) is \$1,151.30.

The Strike Is Extending

At Saratoff, wholesale arrests have been made, but the strike is extending. At Kiev serious collisions have taken place between the troops and strikers, during which about forty persons were killed or wounded.

At Tiflis, Caucasasia, peace has been patched up between the Mussulmans and Armenians. The strike, however, is almost general. The social-democrats control the railways.

The situation is really far more serious in the Baltic provinces, Caucasasia, and other non-Russian provinces where the entire population is hostile. In the case of the Baltic provinces it is realized that it may be necessary to practically reconquer the country. The first division of the first army corps, which belongs to St. Petersburg provinces have begun to arrive here from Manchuria, but they are being despatched to the Baltic provinces without stopping here.

Erecting More Barricades

It is reported that the strikers this afternoon erected barricades in the vicinity of the Neva gate.

CONCENTRATED TEA.

U. S. Government's Satisfactory Experiments With Tablets

Washington, D.C., Dec. 27.—The latest novel experiment to be made by the United States department of agriculture is that of compressing tea into tablets one of which will make a delicious cup of tea. As a result what would ordinarily make a big package of tea has been placed in a space about the size of a safety match box. It has been the object of the department for some time to find means of providing tea for army and navy which could be prepared satisfactorily. It is now believed by the officials of the department that the tablets will fill not only government requirements but those of general merchandise and family use.

ADVERTISING CANADA.

Eminent Scottish Newspaperman Expresses His Views.

George Bain, editor and proprietor of the Nairnshire Telegraph, Scotland, who was here last summer, has written an interesting little booklet descriptive of the Dominion. It is entitled "A Run Through Canada," and his observations on the country, its people and conditions, from the time he landed at Montreal until he reached Victoria, are valuable, as they come from a man who has been accustomed to writing up men and happenings. Besides being editor of an influential paper, Mr. Bain is also author of "History of Nairnshire," "Clips of Lord Brodie the Puritan," and "Rambles in Holland, and what he has to say about Canada comes with a double interest. Nothing has escaped him, and side incidents of the journey are very ably handled. Having come from a fishing town, he naturally took considerable interest in the salmon fishing, which was in progress when he was here, and his remarks about Vancouver are in connection with the description of this industry.

"Vancouver is a very fine city," he says. "It largely follows English ways. Were it not that the majority of the houses are of wood, one would imagine oneself in an English sea-coast town." He speaks of Stanley Park, and dwells on some length on the vastness of the timber which came to Vancouver from Nairn some years ago. "Victoria," he says, "is more restful than the rival city of Vancouver, and has been aptly called the City of the Future. Victoria, no one is in a hurry, and what can be done tomorrow is never by any chance done today. While the business habits of Vancouver are of a brisker order, I confess I liked Victoria and its ways very much. It will ever remain the resort of the Canadian health-seeker and the delight of the European visitor."

After reciting in detail what he saw in a two months' trip across the country, Mr. Bain concludes: "The most vivid and abiding impressions I have of Canada is the vastness of its territories. Maps do not show it. Figures do not represent it. Descriptions do not convey it adequately or sufficiently. It requires one to travel across the country to realize in any proper degree the magnitude, the magnitude of the Dominion of Canada. It is more than twenty-five times larger than the British Isles. Its mineral resources are beyond all estimate. Its forests of timber are almost inexhaustible. Its wheat belt, when fully occupied, will be sufficient to supply the wants of Great Britain. It has a vastness of territory, and a suitable outlet for our surplus population, and offers an attractive sphere for the enterprising and industrious youth of our country. May Canada prosper!"

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Wreckage on Island Coast

Boats, Mast of Schooner and Lifebuoys Washed Ashore Indicate Disasters.

Dulwich Chartered to Run on Mexican Coast—Machinery for New Princess.

News was received yesterday from the lightkeeper at Carmanah, whose home high on Carmanah Point overlooks a section of the island coast that has been called the graveyard of ships, that much more wreckage had been washed ashore, following that previously reported, indicating that accident, if not disaster, had befallen a schooner, if not also another vessel, off the entrance to the straits. The wreckage found includes two sealing boats painted lead color outside, and brown, like an oak stain, inside; a small hatch with a scuttle of fir, which seems to have come from a schooner with two companions; a schooner's mast with some wire rigging attached; a large teakwood ship's boat with long oars, evidently from a British-built sailing vessel; parts of several lifebuoys, with but part of the name-letters showing; a ten-gallon water keg lashed in its bands, with a star painted red and white on top; a lot of empty casks marked "Wilson Bros., an empty oil barrel and some miscellaneous wreckage.

There were three pieces of lifebuoys. On one were the letters "P. O." followed by a space as though three letters had been erased, and then came the letters "U. Z." This was found five miles east of Carmanah, and six miles east was another part of a lifebuoy with the words "Of Newcastle," while at Bonilla Point another part of a lifebuoy was found with the letters "P. O." alone showing. All these were evidently fresh-painted, and seemingly not long in the water. Lloyd's index and various registers of the world's shipping, all of which are practically complete, have no names of vessels listed with "P. O." as their initial letters, which correspond with the letters on the buoy.

Capt. Grant of the Victoria Sealing Company says the description of the sealing boats is similar to those of the missing schooner Fawn, and the hatch found is one such as was placed on the schooner. Collating the various reports of wreckage found this winter in the vicinity of Carmanah, it would seem that there was some foundation for the theory that the Fawn had been crippled by the gale encountered on October 8-9 when en route from Behring Sea and had again been overtaken by a gale when nearing the straits and there met destruction when nearing port. The schooner has long since been given up as lost.

Nothing is clear with regard to the other wreckage, however. It may have been swept from the decks of a vessel off the coast, or it may possibly indicate that a marine disaster had taken place. The fact that the trend of current in the North Pacific is such that all wreckage and other floats caught in the currents which sweep northward from latitudes even south of San Francisco is carried northward, mostly to the island coast in the vicinity of Carmanah, makes it difficult to form any idea as to what is indicated by the presence of the quantity of wreckage now found and that recently washed ashore, which included a hatch marked 5392, and other unmarked wreckage.

DULWICH CARTERED.

Will Run on the Mexican Coast With the Hounslow.

British steamer Dulwich, Capt. Dudley, which stranded at Esquimalt on Christmas night and was floated in the early morning as told yesterday, has been chartered on a time charter by the Mexican government on similar terms to the British steamer Hounslow which recently proceeded from Victoria to Acapulco. The Dulwich is chartered on a time charter to run on the Mexican coast in connection with the Tehuantepec railway. She has been ordered to proceed to Acapulco, and will go south as soon as any repairs necessary because of her recent stranding are made. The steamer was surveyed yesterday, but the report of the surveyors will not be made until today. It is not thought that she has been severely injured. There are two steamers of the same owners about due here from the Orient, the steamer Isleworth, from Yokohama and the Tottenham, from Moji. The Tottenham is be-

lieved to be chartered to carry cargo from Portland.

SUBMARINE SIGNALS.

Novel Appliances to Be Fitted to New Atlantic Express.

The new Atlantic steamships, Empresses of Britain and Ireland, will be fitted with the new appliances for receiving sound signals through the water. At certain important points in the St. Lawrence river submarine bells have been placed, which in thick or foggy weather are sounded automatically by pneumatic pressure. In the bow of the new Empresses on the port and starboard sides transmitters will be fitted and connected with wires to a telephone bell in the chart room, thus the officer in charge of the ship will hear these warning bells when they are still miles away and be able to fix the position of his ship no matter what may be the state of the weather. Inasmuch as the submarine signals travel through the water without interference, are not subject to winds or waves, and give an exact location of the source of danger, it is apparent that they become an important factor of safety. The steamer James H. Whitney, of Boston, when running at full speed picked up these signals at eight miles distance, and the officer in charge said the bell sounded distinctly. Another Captain reported that he heard these signals clearly in a gale, when all other signals failed. The question of expense has never been considered by the Canadian Pacific Railway when appliances can be introduced which will add to their passenger's safety.

BRINGING MACHINERY.

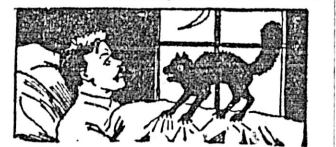
Steamer Onaia Laden With Equipment for New Princess.

Steamer Onaia of the Blue Funnel line, which left Yokohama en route from Liverpool and Glasgow to Victoria, is due on Tuesday next, bringing machinery and boilers for the new Princess liner being built at the Esquimalt marine railway yards for the C. P. R. coast steamship service. The new Princess steamer is now in frame.

SAVED THE DOG.

Capt. Olson of the Brodick Castle Was a Hero at Chemainus.

Capt. Olson of the British ship Brodick Castle, which arrived on Tuesday from Salinas Cruz, after a stormy voyage, in which the entrance to the Strait was not the least interesting part, when the vessel ran before the gale, was the hero of an adventure at Chemainus in which the Captain's tact saved him from a lady who owned a fine collie dog. Captain Olson, with Capt. Lewis of Hind and Capt. F. C. and Capt. F. C. was standing on the wharf at Chemainus when the dog came near. They were throwing sticks into the water trying to induce the animal to jump in and finally Capt. Olson picked up the dog and threw it in. The animal, however, was suffering



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from an injury to its hind legs and seemed likely to drown. Then the Capt. hurried to the rescue, clambering down the piles and reaching to succor the dog. While thus engaged the lady owner came and asked the other gentlemen if they had thrown the dog in, both replied promptly in the negative for they saw the fire in the lady's eyes. Capt. Olson, thinking discretion the better part of valor, at once forgot that he threw the dog in, and said he wondered who had done so. Meanwhile he rescued the dog and received the profuse thanks of the owner. But the conscience troubled him, he says. The Brodick Castle, now in Royal Roads is chartered to load at Chemainus for Melbourne.

THE PORTLAND A WRECK.

Victoria Divers Going to Scene of Stranded Steamer.

Steamer Amur, of the C. P. R., Capt. McLeod, which arrived at Skagway on Tuesday reports that the steamer Portland, ashore near Ketchikan, is breaking up and may be a total loss. Steamer Cottage City, of the same line, is now north Capt. Onad J. Humphrey, of the Alaska S. S. Co., and the tug Pioneer is to follow the Cottage City north carrying a wrecking outfit and salvage crew, pumps, etc. The Cottage City will have about 100 passengers. Divers McHardy and Macdonald of Ketchikan have been secured for the salvage work.

The despatch from the north further states that the Portland is full of holes from her contact with the rocks on Spire Island is leaking badly. The Portland was ashore December 21, 19 miles from Ketchikan. The passengers were taken to that place in small boats where they evidently waited until the arrival of the Al-Ki. It is understood that Capt. Lindquist and two men are staying by the Portland but that the rest have left the doomed vessel. The tug Pioneer steamer was taken to Ketchikan and will be transferred to the southbound steamers.

BARCORE CHARTERED.

Fixed by Robert Ward & Co. to Load for Victoria and Vancouver.

Another cargo ship has been added to those en route to Victoria, the British iron ship Barcore having been taken up by Robert Ward & Co., based at London, for the Victoria and Vancouver. The Barcore is a vessel of 2041 tons register, commanded by Capt. McKenzie. She left San Francisco on August 23rd for Liverpool. The vessel is owned by the Remo Shipping Co., of Liverpool. The Barcore is bound for Victoria and Vancouver, which left Liverpool on May 31st with general cargo including Christmas goods for Victoria and Vancouver put into Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, on October 16th, is still undergoing repairs there. A letter dated from Port Stanley on December 18th states that repairs are proceeding satisfactorily. German ship Emilie is also undergoing repairs there, and also the German bark Paulsenberg.

NO HONOLULU CALL.

Great Northern steamships will not visit Honolulu on the voyage home from Japan. A new schedule will be issued within a few days, showing the sailing dates for the coming year, which will provide for direct sailings between Puget Sound and Oriental ports. This question is one that had been up ever since the line was established, and was investigated by Vice President Howard James when he went to the Orient on the initial voyage of the Dakota. When Mr. James returned to Seattle he stated that he could not recommend making Honolulu a port of call. The question of the British ship, which reached St. Paul, and an authorized statement has just been made by the company to the effect that Honolulu will not be touched by the Hill liners.

MARINE NOTES.

Soon after the commencement of the new year a meeting of the directors of the sealing company will be held to arrange for the despatch of schooners. It is expected that a larger fleet than usual will be sent out, including several vessels with white crews for Japanese waters. Captain Jacobsen is reported to be preparing to build a new schooner.

The San Francisco Merchants' Exchange has received a despatch saying that the schooner Jennie Stella, from Fort Bragg via La Paz, is ashore at Navidad and will probably be a total loss. The crew has been saved.

C. W. Edwards, a well known mariner, for a number of years pilot on the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer Al-Ki, dropped dead at Ketchikan last Sunday morning according to a message received by the company.

Steamer Ningchow of the China Mutual Line left Liverpool for Victoria on December 9, and the Yangtze is to follow her on January 6.

Steamer Iroquois is being repaired at Chemainus, she having been packing from a cylinder head during the recent storm.

Lieut. Hodgson, of H. M. S. Shearwater, the officer in charge of the ship at Esquimalt on Christmas night, stated that no naval officer of that vessel went on board the British ship Ditton that night as stated.

PACIFIC COAST REALTY CO.

New Local Company Organized—Will Deal in Victoria Real Estate.

With the main object of handling the realty holdings at the Pacific terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and interior agricultural and timber lands to be developed by the new transcontinental railroad in the northern portion of the province, there has recently been organized and incorporated the Pacific Coast Realty Company, Limited. The company has taken spacious offices in the McGregor block and is officered by James Anderson, manager, and J. C. Harris, secretary.

"When the definite announcement is made of the selection of the western terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, the realty holdings at that place shall open a branch office at that place," said James Anderson, in discussing the objects of the company. "The company will have all the handling of the G. T. P. realty holdings throughout the province, and though we shall devote our main attention to this branch of the business, we shall also do a general brokerage business and handle Victoria urban and rural realty investments. We expect to see quite a local movement this coming spring, following the general interest in this class of investment now so noticeable on the coast, as at Seattle and Vancouver, and the fact is also moving in fact every city and the exception of Victoria is doing business in this line, and our time is now at hand."

A Newsy Letter From Hazelton

Two Recent Weddings at Thriving Metropolis on Skeena River.

Large Number of Enterprises on Hand to Develop Northern Country.

A Hazelton correspondent, writing under date of Nov. 19th says:

Winter in Hazelton practically means isolation, for with the last trip of the steamers communication with the "outside" is only possible by canoe on a swift and dangerous river, as long as it remains open and when it freezes, by hard "pushing" over treacherous ice. Still when left to ourselves we manage to find means to pass the time.

This fall has been more lively than usual. Two of our popular townsmen Messrs. Cox and Sealy decided that "bachelors" was too slow and have each taken a mate home after the Rev. Mr. Field pronounced the magic words.

The government bridge over the Bulkley river at the mouth of 2-mile creek is being steadily pushed forward by Mr. W. Williscroft, and a start has been made on the bridge and across the same river at Morristown 30 miles south of this place.

Surveyor Ross has about completed his work of the vicinity and will leave by canoe for the coast shortly.

The mail which arrived yesterday was in a wretched condition, having been well soaked with rain, it is said, before reaching Kitimat, letters were open and some in part illegible. Surely when we only get 100 lbs once a month some care should be taken to deliver it in readable condition, and a number of persons here are beginning to think that this place is getting to be important enough to have a more regular mail service the year round. The price of rice has gone up since the weddings.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith of Vancouver will spend the winter here.

The telephone office is being moved into larger and more comfortable premises.

E. C. Stevenson, contractor, has had a busy summer, five new buildings being the result of the season's work.

The Salvation Army has started a mission at Anderson, 30 miles down the river, Captain Parker in charge, who is preparing to build barracks there.

Adjutant and Captain Thoroldson were in Hazelton this summer, and were met by Miss (Lieut.) Miller. Good work has been done there, the Indians being well housed. All have gardens which are very productive, and the Army has a steam sawmill in operation, which supplies all the lumber used in Hazelton.

The second wedding of the month took place on Wednesday, 15th at 2 p.m., in St. Peter's Episcopal church, where the Rev. Mr. Field united Mr. J. C. K. Sealy of the Dominion Government Telegraph service and Miss Helen Morrison, eldest daughter of Major Morrison, of the 4th Canadian estate. Mr. J. C. K. Sealy gave the bride away who was attended by Miss Agnes Boyd, and dressed in a traveling suit of navy blue. Mr. E. C. Stevenson supported the groom.

After the ceremony the bridal party went to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boyd where refreshments and wedding cake was served and the happy couple received good wishes of their numerous friends. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Sealy were escorted to their new home in the light of lanterns and a bonfire and display of fireworks by the young men of the town, who had also decorated the gateway and verandah with flags and Chinese lanterns.

St. Peter's church was the scene of the interesting ceremony which joined in holy matrimony Mr. E. R. Cox, of Hazelton, and Miss Constance Hankin, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Hankin of Stanstead, England, on the 9th inst at 2 p.m., by the Rev. Mr. Field. The bride was charmingly dressed in pearl grey changeable silk trimmed with cream lace and hat of material to match, with white ostrich plume, was given away by her stepfather Mr. R. E. Loring, Indian agent. The bridesmaids, Misses Edith Loring and Mrs. John Sealy supported the groom.

At the conclusion of the ceremony lunch was served to the assembled guests at the home of the bride's mother, after which addresses of congratulation were tendered by the happy young couple and Mr. G. M. Swan read the following address from the operators and businessmen of the government telegraph line between the ninth station, north and Stony creek, south of Hazelton, accompanied by a purse containing \$50.00 in gold.

"Address and presentation to Mr. E. R. Cox from his friends Nov. 9th, 1905. 'On the sunrise of your married life, we, your co-workers of Hazelton and vicinity tender you our sincere and hearty congratulations and wish you and your family the best and life of continuous happiness and prosperity.'

"Your never failing courtesy and readiness to assume onerous tasks for us has made our sojourn at the different stations less irksome than it otherwise would be. Therefore, as a slight token of our appreciation and esteem for your good fellowship we ask you to accept this purse."

"May love and happiness be the constant fire-side companions of Mrs. Cox and yourself."

Mr. and Mrs. Cox have taken a pleasant situated cottage and will reside in Hazelton.

The presents were numerous and costly. Rev. and Mrs. Field, vases and initial salt cellars and spoons; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Loring, cheque; Mr. and Mrs.

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MINING IN INTERIOR.

Apex Mine Sold for \$70,000—Lively Times in Interior.

W. D. McMillan a well known former Vancouverite and now of Kerecows, arrived in Vernon Tuesday and stayed over till Wednesday to attend to some business says the Vernon News. Mr. McMillan, it will be remembered, some time ago, bonded his mine, the Apex, gold-copper property to the B. C. Copper Co., of Greenwood, one of the richest mining corporations in the country, being composed chiefly of New York capitalists. This company owns the Mother Lode mine and smelter at Greenwood. The Apex, one of the company's latest mining acquisitions, is situated near the famous Nickel Plate mine, in the Osoyoos division, and is likely to prove a very rich property. The B. C. Copper Company have already made two payments on the Apex, two more remaining to be made, which will no doubt be met promptly on time, as the company are well satisfied with the proposition. They have at present a full force of men working at the mine, and have taken in a six months' supply of provisions, intending to carry on development work all winter. Mr. McMillan was asked by a representative of The Okanagan what figure he had bonded the Apex for, but said he had not made that public yet, nor did he care to; however, on being crossed, he said the figure was over \$70,000. Mr. McMillan's sale has been a profitable one to him as he was the original locator of the property, developing it sufficiently to prove its great value.

It was learned from Mr. McMillan that the B. C. Copper Company had just acquired the Sunset Copper mine at Princeton. Though the ore is low grade, there is any quantity of it, and it will some day prove a great dividend payer. Mr. McMillan thinks there will be lively times in the Osoyoos and Similkameen districts next spring and summer. At present the only thing that is holding back the development of the Similkameen's great richness is the want of railway facilities. But the building of the V. & E. Railway will shortly remedy this.

Surely there is a bright future for the two districts mentioned, for they are not only possessed of mining wealth but are rich in agricultural land too. The extensive Conthard property at Kerecows, acquired early this year by Vancouver people, with Mr. Armstrong at their head, has just been divided up in 10-acre blocks, which are finding a ready sale at good figures. A townsie has been laid off on the property, the lots also selling well.

HOW TO CURE A COLD.

The question of how to cure a cold without unnecessary loss of time is one in which we are all more or less interested, for the quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger of pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., has used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and he says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me." For sale by all druggists.

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THE STAGE.

The Grand Theatre, of which Mr. Jamieson is manager, has decided to raise its prices shortly at the same time improving the class of its performances. It has been found that the public demand for vaudeville is larger than that when the ten cent show came into existence a few years ago. Then the bioscope pictures, an illustrated song and a sketch made up the programme. Gradually acts were added with increasing competition until the salary list of the managers was too large to be compatible with a balance on the right side of the ledger. Since the combination of the different vaudeville houses in the west, recently perfected, a far better class of vaudeville acts has been placed in the theatre involving larger outlay and with the improvement it has been found necessary to raise the prices. Portland showhouses have already raised prices, Seattle and Victoria have also decided to do so. It is a general movement. Heretofore the majority of the first class patrons have paid 25c for a reserved seat and under the new arrangement for admittance to the entire lower floor and 15 cents for the gallery the advance will not be great.

It has not yet been decided when the change will be brought into effect, but it will probably be within the next fortnight and due notice will be given by the management.

Work is progressing favorably at the Victoria theatre where carpenters, decorators, electricians and others are altering and renovating the lower portion of the theatre for the reopening under the new management with Mr. E. R. Rickert in charge. The attractions for this week, which include a first class musical show, "The Shogun," and a juvenile opera troupe, were cancelled to allow of the alterations being made. The house is being re-floored with a uniform

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A PORTFOLIO AND THE SENATORSHIP.

Senator Macdonald evidently misapprehended our remarks with reference to the appointment of Senator Templeman to a portfolio. His position in the Senate does not prevent him from succeeding to the Hon. Mr. Prefontaine as minister of marine and fisheries; but as there are two members of the administration with portfolios already in the Senate, the Government will not appoint a third. At least we are given to understand that the position taken by Sir Wilfrid Laurier is that in order to qualify for a portfolio Hon. Mr. Templeman must resign and be elected by the people. It may be insufficient as an excuse for repeatedly passing over Senator Templeman; but it is the one put forward.

The situation is an unfortunate one for the province. Senator Templeman by priority and length of party service is entitled to take precedence of any of the other Liberal representatives from the Province, and to appoint one of them over his head could not but be resented by him; and if he persists in remaining in the Senate the Government is apparently afraid of too seriously violating Liberal traditions by having so many unrepresentative men in the cabinet. We do not know that in the light of ten years' record of Liberal rule that that ought to be any serious impediment. Nevertheless, it is convenient as a reason for continuing to ignore British Columbia's claims to have a real active voice in the government of the country. There seems to be only one of two things in sight, and that is for Senator Templeman to make way for some one else, or to step into the arena, in case a vacancy occurs in the city of Victoria, and appeal to the electorate.

AGAINST THE CHINESE MENACE.

The question of the exclusion of Orientals is becoming an acute one in the United States. Events are rapidly forcing a situation that will be painful and delicate in the extreme.

We learn from reliable sources from time to time that the state of feeling in China is becoming more explosive as the days go by. The massacre of the American missionaries recently is regarded as simply an indication of something that may become general.

There is a keen hatred in China to everything American—in fact, everyone English-speaking. The ordinary Moslem does not stop to make distinctions between American and British. They both look alike and speak alike and to all intents and purposes act alike. Therefore, the problem which is developing for the government at Washington, D.C., is developing for Ottawa, Canada, and for Downing street, London, England.

It is said in despatches that the President and the leading eastern politicians in the United States are becoming alarmed at the prospects of losing the trade of the Orient. In the United States as in Canada, the dominating influences, in politics and trade, reside east of the Mississippi river. They have strength enough to repeal the exclusion act if they make up their mind that it is standing in the way of eastern interests. Similar influences in Canada would force this country to follow the example of the United States.

It is also said that the Japanese government is secretly encouraging the Chinese in the course they are pursuing. The statesmen of Japan know that logically all Oriental labor—Chinese, Japanese and Korean—stands on the same footing. That is to say, it is all cheap labor and offers the same degree of competition to white labor. Sooner or later the question as affects all the three nations must be solved in the same way.

Naturally the idea of exclusion is repellant to the proud Japanese mind. If the issue is forced on commercial grounds, the white races must either submit to reciprocity in labor or to loss of the Oriental trade. Japan has demonstrated that she can abundantly look after herself in all the multifarious affairs of Empire,

and she will stimulate and train the Chinese to do the same. The time will have gone by when European or American nations can force upon the Mongolian pact the right to trade on their own terms.

The immediate cause of the situation so created and being created is explained by the Argonaut, which says: The causes which have led to this grave juncture are various. The first and most deep seated is one of the results of our unfortunate purchase of the Philippines from Spain for \$20,000,000. By that purchase the immigration contract labor, and exclusion laws of the United States at once went into effect in the archipelago. For several centuries the Chinese had gone freely to the Philippines. Many Chinese had grown rich and influential there. Our war with Spain came to an end, and the Treaty of Paris was signed. By this treaty the island Chinese were suddenly relegated to a degraded position, while the mainland Chinese were excluded from the islands. Thus to humiliate Chinese dwellers in the Philippines, thus to slam the door in the faces of intending emigrants, deeply offended the Chinese people. As a result—under the leadership of Wu Ting-fang and the friendly advice of Japan—the Chinese boycott on American industry has been concocted.

A BLACK EYE FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT.

Elsewhere there is published an extract from the report of the commercial agent of Canada in Australia to the Department of Trade and Commerce with respect to a shipment of inferior British Columbia fruit, sent from Vancouver to Sydney by a Vancouver firm, the fruit being diseased with apple scab or black rot. In addition to being diseased the fruit is reported to have been very badly packed, being of all sizes and shapes, and altogether a very rough lot.

We are informed that the result of this shipment is to have given a serious setback to British Columbia fruit in the Australian market. Previous shipments had created a favorable impression, and the dealers in Australia were looking forward to obtaining, so the report says, the bulk of their apple supplies from this province, instead of from California.

This is a very serious matter, indeed. It is one for the consideration of both the Dominion and Provincial fruit authorities to deal with. British Columbia having established a reputation for the excellence of its fruit, and having the goods to deliver that are required by the market, it is little short of criminal for dealers—if the facts are stated correctly—to make shipments of the character described. Common commercial considerations, not to refer to honesty, should suggest such a thing as suicidal. To such an extent is this true that one cannot but believe that some mistake has been made.

MR. WELLS AND THE LUMBER SITUATION.

With regard to an interview which appeared in the Colonist on Christmas morning with Mr. W. C. Wells respecting the lumber situation, he desires to make a correction and state that the reporter evidently misunderstood his remarks on the subject. Mr. Wells is reported as saying, among other things, that "the talk of the American mills, continuing to dump lumber on the prairies is nothing but a newspaper bugbear," which he claims is entirely opposite to what he intended to say, if he did not make himself sufficiently clear in the matter. His statement is that in speaking of the prospects of the lumber industry, he incidentally remarked that shipments of American lumber were at the present time possibly confined to Winnipeg and other city contractors, who thought they were doing a smart thing in getting ahead of the regular dealers, but that that state of things would only last as long as times were good, and there was prosperity in the United States. As soon as hard times came again, Mr. Wells added, in making his explanation, the same old condition of things would return, and the Northwest would be made the dumping grounds for the American millmen. It was in hard times that the brunt of the competition was felt by the British Columbian lumbermen, and not in prosperous times, when the mills on both sides of the line had ample demand for their products. Mr. Wells stated that having taken strong grounds for the imposition of duty on American lumber coming into Canada, and having moved resolutions in the legislature with a view to having the tariff amended, he could not very well hold the view that the agitation was largely newspaper talk.

We are very glad to have the opportunity to make the correction in question. What he has stated in explanation confirms the position which has been taken by the Colonist throughout.

PROPOSED IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

We have already referred to the correspondence which took place between Mr. Lytton, late secretary of the Colonies, and the governments of the various self-governing colonies in respect to the proposed Imperial Council, and to the result. The principal outcome of the negotiations has been the postponement of the Conference of Councils, as you please, until 1907. There is nothing new, as the Times remarks, about the proposals, following as they do the conclusions "with which we have been familiarized during the last year or two by the work of the British Empire League, and by the efforts of that anonymous committee of influential individuals of all shades of politics whose spokesman has been Sir Frederick Pollock."

The correspondence in question has been published in a parliamentary paper, which is reproduced in full in the Times. The latter in an editorial summarizes it in such a brief and admirably lucid manner that we cannot do better than

print the summary here as a précis of the case as presented.

The essential characteristics of those conclusions has been the abandonment, so far, at any rate, as immediate practical purposes are concerned, of definite schemes of legislative federation of the Empire, and the acceptance of the principle of gradual evolution, working along existing lines, and involving no breach of continuity, or sacrifice on the part of any constituent of the Empire of its existing legislative and executive autonomy. The line of least resistance has been felt by all who have carefully studied the question to be indicated by the existing conferences of the colonial prime ministers, the first of which assembled in 1887 under the presidency of Lord Knutsford, but which acquired a new significance and importance during the period of Mr. Chamberlain's tenure of power at the colonial office. The gradual development of these conferences into a real consultative committee of the Empire, the strengthening of that council by the addition of a permanent commission which could work out problems referred to it, or collect information on important questions of imperial interest, have recently come to be generally regarded, in the Empire outside as in England, as at once the furthest practical step on the constitutional side—that can be taken in the present condition of the Empire, and at the same time as the very least that can be done if the centrifugal forces which are so genuine and so strong within the Empire at this moment, and not to be allowed to fester themselves away and leave free play to the no less strong centrifugal forces which are contending with them for mastery.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

[The Editor does not hold himself responsible for views expressed by correspondents.]

METCHOSIN SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Sir—I see that Mr. Smart has written to say that the statement in Tuesday's Colonist, that the trustees of Metchosin school have agreed to resign in a body at the end of the year as a protest against the School Act, is premature. Now, I have two witnesses besides myself, who heard Mr. Smart so agree, also that it was his suggestion that we should "resign in a body." He may have changed his mind since, but the other trustees have not.

W. FISHER.

One of the Trustees.

Metchosin, December 23.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Sir—May I be permitted through your columns to appeal to the residents of Victoria West of the necessity of registering their votes before Saturday next.

Vital issues affecting the small holders of real estate make it imperative that the possible vote should be cast at this election.

A meeting of West voters takes place this evening at the club rooms, when every voter who can possibly make it convenient should attend.

A joint meeting with the North Ward and Spring Ridge associations will be held Tuesday evening next, and the week following a mass meeting of all voters.

At this meeting the respective candidates will be given an opportunity of addressing a collective North Ward vote.

PHIL. R. SMITH.

Sec'y. Vic. West Municipal Voters' Assn.

THE VACANT PORTFOLIO.

Sir—I notice that you consider being in the Senate disqualification for the office of minister of marine. If it be so, it is not to be wondered at. When I joined the Senate the following portfolios were held by senators: Marine and fisheries; minister of justice; secretary of state; receiver-general. And even now, when the tendency is to keep all portfolios in the House of Commons, there are always two ministers in the Senate. In all fairness, the marine and fisheries should be given to Mr. Templeman. The ministers in council define the policy to be carried out, and deputies and chief clerks in the many divisions of a department carry out the details.

Some ministers have kindly found way into the cabinet—let Mr. Templeman kick. Although I may differ from him in politics, I strongly approve justice and fair treatment.

W. J. MACDONALD.

ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

Public Opinion.

Some but a few irreconcilable Teutophobes, who regard the greatness of Germany and England as incompatible, will fail to welcome the new movement for the promotion of goodwill between the two countries. In very many directions the idea seems to have sprung up in the last few days, and influential people like Lord Avebury and the German ambassador are throwing themselves cordially into the business of propagating the new international gospel. At the Lyceum Club on Saturday Count Wolff Metternich pointed out that Great Britain and Germany had never had a serious quarrel, and in spite of certain shadows which came between them he was confident that the thought of a conflict was alien to both. War would be sheer criminal folly. Hitherto the atmosphere of difference had made any word on the other side appear like

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preaching in the wilderness. Great Britain has now set the ball of friendship rolling. It is for Germany to meet her half way. If German statesmen and the German press could be persuaded to take the line adopted by the German ambassador in London there would soon be an end to Anglo-German controversies, as there is happily to Anglo-French.

THE PRESIDENT'S PROSPECTIVE SON-IN-LAW.

Representative Nicholas Longworth, whose engagement to Miss Alice L. Roosevelt was recently announced from Washington, is the only son of the late Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati, one of the wealthy men of the Ohio metropolis a generation ago. He was born in Cincinnati, November 5, 1889. After graduating from Harvard in 1891, Mr. Longworth was admitted to the bar in Cincinnati, and he is now serving his second term as representative from the First Ohio district. The wedding, it is announced, will take place on the 10th of the White House will be the first to be celebrated there since the marriage of President Cleveland to Miss Frances Johnson, in 1886. The New York World says of Mr. Longworth:

"Mr. Longworth is five feet eight inches in height, with a round, good-natured face, and extremely bald. He is always well dressed. He is rich, and his family is one of the oldest in Cincinnati. He does not practice his profession very assiduously. When he had had his college fling and had settled down he went into politics and became a follower of George B. Cox, the recently deposed Cincinnati boss.

"Mr. Longworth used to be a champion golfer in the Cincinnati district. He has also had his fling. Once, on a wager, he drove a golf ball from the front door of the St. Nicholas hotel to Covington in a certain number of strokes through the city streets. He won his bet, but had to pay for several broken windows. He is generally spoken of by those who know him as a 'good fellow.' He is polite, amiable and reconciled to his own limitations, which lead him in the direction of society rather than statesmanship. He has done nothing in the House during the time he has served that has attracted attention, but has always voted 'right.' He is a favorite of Speaker Cannon, and has played on the foreign affairs and pensions committees."

A STIRRING MEETING.

Financial News.

Salisbury House has had very few gatherings within its capacious walls of such dimensions as yesterday's Le Roi meeting, and fewer still of the same uproarious character. The venerable Sir Henry Tyler was quite in his element in putting forward the much-discussed scheme of amalgamation; for his long and troubled chairmanship of the Grand Trunk company, before he made way for the present regime, has taught him not to be easily dismayed by opposition, however vigorous. He must have seen, however, that the rejection of Mr. McMillan from the position as managing director of the Le Roi company was a tactical blunder which, so far from paving the way for the amalgamation, is likely to upset it. The meeting was overwhelmingly on the side of Mr. McMillan and quite unanimously opposed to amalgamation, at all events on the terms suggested. However, a poll has yet to be taken, a fortnight hence, and in the meantime the shareholders can think matters out for themselves. They will think all the more effectively if the combats refrain from bombarding them with literature on the subject.

MEMBER AND COUNSEL.

St. John Sun.

Mr. Borden has not spoken too soon of the impropriety of members of parliament taking fees for professional services in promoting or opposing measures pending in parliament. It has become rather common for members who are lawyers to argue in the parliamentary committee the case of clients who are interested in private bills. Members who do this and some who do not are being and have earned fees by the use of their influence over their fellow members and by their assistance to a parliamentary lobby. One bad feature in this business is the fact that members who are lawyers, and suggest that they are paid advocates are nominally sitting as judges in the very matters on which they are paid to take a side. If the member admits that he is taking as a retained counsel his arguments and pleas are valued accordingly. It is his chief offence that he has refused to perform duties for which he has been elected, and has undertaken private professional duties altogether incompatible with the obligation which he has assumed. If he is a paid advocate and conceals the fact in the deliberations, voting as a member of the House or committee on the matters covered by his retainer, he commits an offence deserving expulsion from parliament. A senator of the United States was recently convicted of taking pay from persons interested in his service in supporting or opposing measures before the Senate. It is believed that the application of this rule would deprive the Canadian parliament of the services of a number of men who are now in it. The names of a number of those who do not openly appear as retained advocates, and some of whom are not lawyers, are freely mentioned. There are members whose cowardly advocacy or opposition to a measure before the committee always suggests personal or professional interest. As a rule such members gradually lose all influence, and in the case of some former representatives their advocacy of a measure has done their cause harm.

Mr. Borden proposes to make it unlawful for a member to accept retainer, for a member to accept retainers or to act professionally in parliament or before parliamentary committees on behalf of a person or company.

ELIJAH'S TRANSLATION.

Buffalo Commercial.

The vicar of St. John's, Galushborough, England, says that recently the scholars in his parish were asked to give an account of the translation of the prophet Elijah to Heaven, and one boy wrote: "Elijah, the prophet, was carried into Heaven by a whirlwind, and the children stood up and cried 'Go up, thou bald head! Go up, thou bald head!' and before he went in he divided the Red Sea."

PLAIN TALK.

Trouble has arrived in the office of the well known New York periodical, Public Opinion, a weekly compendium of articles culled from the journals of all shades of politics or aim. The trouble is the following letter:

"Dear Sir—I don't know how I ever came to subscribe to your paper. I am with house room and that's no lie. You folks must be crazy. First you print an article on one side, and then you turn right around in your tracks and print on exactly the other. Your turn coats that's what you are and any body with a dollar (to dollars) can hire you. I am a populist and I don't want to read nothing that's not my belief. Don't send it to me any more. You can have my money. You'll need it for you'll be down and out pretty soon."

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Local News

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Civic Accounts.—All persons who have
accounts against the city of Victoria should
at the city treasurer's office this week
and receive payment.

Bank Clearings.—The total bank
clearings for the week ending December
23, as reported by the Victoria clearing
house were \$504,577.

Isolation Hospital.—The management
of the Isolation hospital wish to thank
the Daughters of Pity for oranges,
games, etc., which were sent out to the
children.

Banquet to Newsboys.—This evening
at the Poodle Dog restaurant, Richard
Hall, M. P., as announced in yester-
day morning's Colonist will entertain
all the newsboys of the city at the
annual banquet—this being the fourth
similar affair of the kind. It is expected
there will be a large attendance and
a very merry time is assured.

Victoria West Voters.—Victoria West
Voters will meet at the club rooms, Vic-
toria West, at 8 o'clock this evening.
In addition to routine work a plan of co-
operation will be formulated enabling
the three North Ward associations to
meet upon common ground. It is ex-
pected to obtain a greater measure of
support to the requirements of each dis-
trict. Every voter is invited to attend.

Coal Business Good.—The outlook for
the coal business is excellent at San
Francisco and other southern ports.
This is the news brought by A. Lindsay
of the Wellington Colliery Co., who has
just returned from San Francisco after
looking into conditions there. He says
that business with Vancouver island is in
a healthy shape and that shipments of
coal from Newcastle and Australia have
diminished considerably.

York County Loan.—According to
press despatch from Toronto of yester-
day the affairs of the York County Loan
Company Savings Company will be
aired before the legislature during the
coming session. James Bicknell, K. C.,
stated that he proposed to apply for
special legislation for direction and re-
organization of the company. He added
that he had not withdrawn the ap-
plication to have the winding-up pro-
ceedings conducted under the Ontario
act.

Poultry Show.—The announcement is
made that the Victoria Poultry and Pet
Stock association's show will be held
from January 10th to 13th inclusive. En-
tries close on January 5th. The prize
list is the largest ever offered. This
year the show will be held in the city
market building, said to be the best-
lighted on the coast for the purposes of
such an exhibition. The committee, in
charge of the affair is already at work
perfecting arrangements. The catalogues
are now ready and may be had from
the secretary at 71 Fort Street.

Elected Officers.—At the last meet-
ing of the Royal Templars of Temper-
ance the following officers were elected
for the ensuing term: Past councillor,
F. Hodges; select councillor, J. B.
McAllum; vice-councillor, Mrs. Luce-
combe; chaplain, W. H. Gibson;
financial secretary, J. H. Yeo; reading
secretary, W. Gleason; herald, guard,
Charles Mitchell; trustee, J. H. Yeo;
auditors, Mrs. Lucecombe and W. M.
Ritchie; representative to grand coun-
cil, W. M. Ritchie. The grand council
will meet in Nanaimo in February.

Cabinet Vacancy.—It is understood
that a special effort is to be made by
local Liberals, acting in conjunction
with other members of the party
throughout the province to arrange that
the vacant portfolio in the federal cabi-
net may be filled by the election of
Hon. Senator Templeman to a full cen-
sorial position. It is likely that meet-
ings of both the senior and junior local
Liberal organizations will be held in a
few days to support the claims of Sen-
ator Templeman. In this connection it
is to be mentioned that the Times yester-
day announced that Senator Temple-
man had left for Ottawa, ostensibly in
connection with business concerned with
the tariff commission.

Remember that six valuable prizes will
be drawn for at Elton's, 53 Douglas
street, Balmoral block, a coupon is
given with every \$1 purchase.

All up-to-date conveniences for the
traveling public are found on the
"North Coast Limited" train of the
Northern Pacific.

Nothing can beat the best, and the
new Bonita Sewing Machine is by far
the best out. See them in three dif-
ferent styles at Shore's Hardware, cor-
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\$15 to \$7 and \$8 each; and \$8 and \$9
hats to \$4.50 and \$5 for the holiday sea-
son, at The Ellic, 43 Fort St.

If you are leaving town by boat or
train, ring up Phone 249 and have
your baggage promptly delivered by
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Heating and cooking stoves. Large
stock in the city at Clarke & Pear-
son's, 17 Yates street.

The Afternoon Tea at "The Palms,"
44 Fort St., is one of the things to be
participated in to enable one to realize
the full value of such a resort.

Use telephone to New Westminster.

Standard Bred Stallion.—A standard
bred stallion from Kentucky, has just
been imported by C. A. Harrison, of the
Driard hotel. The horse is only 18
months old, but Mr. Harrison has al-
ready commenced breaking him to driv-
ing.

Struck From Register.—A notifica-
tion has been sent by the registrar of
the College of Physicians and Surgeons
to Robert Telford, M. D., Vancouver,
informing him that pursuant to the
order of the supreme court, under date
November 23, his name has been re-
moved from the British Columbia med-
ical register.

Christmas Cantata.—Tomorrow even-
ing at the First Presbyterian Church a
splendid cantata, "Around the World
With Santa Claus," will be given.
Differing cantatas and tender and
professionals will be represented by the
boys and girls in costume. The chil-
dren have been for several weeks in
training, under Mr. and Mrs. Meston.

Creditable Edition.—One of the most
credible editions of a district paper
that has come to the city is the Chris-
mas number of the Cowichan Leader. It
is well printed, profusely illustrated and
in well compiled statements gives the
history and opportunities of the Cowichan
district. The Christmas number of the
Leader speaks well of the enterprise
of its editor and proprietor, Mr. Harry
Smith.

Holiday Festival.—St. Columba's
Presbyterian Sabbath school, Oak Bay,
is busy preparing for its Christmas
festival, to be held tomorrow evening,
December 29. A good programme will
be given, consisting of dialogues, past
songs, recitations and selections of
sacred songs. The chorus will be as-
sisted by an orchestra under the
leadership of Jesse Longfield. All
seats will be free. A collection will be
taken up during the evening in aid
of the school work.

Old Victoria Boy.—The Nanaimo
Free Press has the following note about
a former Victoria boy: "Mr. E. A.
Wolfe, musical director of the Juvenile
Bostonsians, has been in Nanaimo many
times before. He is an old Victoria boy
and a musician of some considerable
claims. He has spent over twelve years
studying in Europe and it has been his
intention to become a violin virtuoso, un-
til he became enamored of the show
business."

Messages of Condolence.—At a meeting
of the council of the board of trade
held yesterday morning, a message of
condolence was ordered sent by wire to
Sir Wilfrid Laurier, conveying the
board's regrets at the announcement of
the death of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine.
Hon. Richard McBride, the premier, yester-
day forwarded the following message
of condolence: "Members of execu-
tive council of British Columbia have
learned with much regret of the death of
the Minister of Marine and Fisheries
and wish me to express their deepest
sympathy."

Board of Trade.—At a meeting of the
council of the board of trade held yester-
day morning, the regular committee
was requested to interview the E. & N.
company in regard to getting freight de-
livered from the cars at first hand at the
outer wharf. Respecting the matter of
C. P. R. freight rates, the railway com-
missioner submitted a report and it was re-
solved by the council: "That the secre-
tary be instructed to notify the British
Columbia coast boards of trade that any
steps deemed necessary by this board
will be taken independently of the other
boards, and that the railway com-
missioner be requested to frame suitable
communication to the railway com-
mission from this board and forward the
same to the railway commission with the
least possible delay."

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

December 27, 1905.

(Before Hon. Mr. Justice Duff.)
Hogins & Co., vs. Lenora Mount Sicker
Mining Co. This is an action by one
of the unsecured creditors of the Len-
ora company for a declaration that a
certain mortgage for \$55,000, upon
which the mortgages, Messrs. Bryden
and Tupper, have obtained an order for
sale of the Lenora mine, is fully paid
off, and is no longer an encumbrance
on the property.

Mr. W. M. Griffin, acting for Mr.
Bryden and Sir Charles Hilder Tupper,
the mortgages, applied by cham-
ber summons for an order discharging
the lis pendens, or that plaintiffs put up
securities and that the lis pendens be dis-
charged under the provisions of the Land
Registry Act; or on the other hand that
the whole action be dismissed as frivolous
and vexatious. Mr. Griffin con-
tended that the plaintiffs had no status
to maintain an action; they are merely
unsecured creditors and cannot by them-
selves maintain an action against a com-
pany in liquidation, although the chief
justice had given them liberty to sue.

It developed during the argument that
the mortgages are in negotiation for
the sale of the property to some parties
in England.

His lordship said he would give leave
to plaintiffs to proceed with the action
on their making the company in liquidation
a party plaintiff. This, however,
would have to be done on application
for leave to proceed, and it would be
open to the other side to object. His
lordship declined to dismiss the action
as frivolous and vexatious, because he
did not think the material on which the
application is founded sufficient to war-
rant such an order. As to the lis pen-
dens, his lordship would make an order
that it be taken off the property on the
following terms: It shall be cancelled
for seven weeks from today and if in
the meantime the mortgages effect a
sale they must undertake to pay into
court the sum of \$55,000; but if the
money is not so paid into court in the
time mentioned, the lis pendens shall
be restored. With liberty to the parties
to apply.

Mr. W. J. Taylor, K. C., and Mr.
Twigg, for plaintiffs.

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machine, a good machine, up to date in
every particular. See them at Shore's
Hardware, corner Government and
Johnson streets.

A fine lot of apples is being disposed
of at the West End Grocery at \$1 a
box. See them at once, as the quan-
tity is limited.

Many a new article can be bought at
the old church, corner Broad and Pan-
dora street, one-half of regular prices
and suitable for Christmas gifts.

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OBITUARY.

The death occurred yesterday morning
at the family residence 90 Menzies St.,
of Helen, the beloved wife of Capt.
Robert Hicks. Deceased was a native
of Paisley, Scotland, aged 78 years and
leaves one daughter, Mrs. P. O. Dickin-
son and two grandchildren. The funeral
is arranged for Friday afternoon from
the family residence at 2.30 o'clock.

The funeral of the late Mrs. A. C.
Willey, whose death took place at the
Jubilee Hospital the 18th inst., will take
place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the
residence, No. 344 Government street.

The funeral of the late John F. Chan-
dler took place yesterday afternoon from
the family parlors, Yates street. There
was a large attendance and many beau-
tiful floral emblems. The Rev. Mr.
Connor of Cedar Hill church officiated
and the following acted as pall bearers:
Messrs. H. E. Tanner, J. W. Rowland,
A. J. Bechtel and S. F. Jones.

At Vancouver on Friday morning the
death occurred very suddenly of Sam-
uel P. Stewart, superintendent of the
Dominion Express Co. The cause of
death was acute muscular rheumatism
of the heart. Mr. Stewart was born in
Belleville, Ont., 58 years ago. He
entered the express business at the age
of 21. He came to Vancouver as super-
intendent of the Dominion Express Com-
pany of the Pacific division in 1903. He
was married at Logansport to Miss
Frances Cridley, who with his daughters
Misses Maude and Lole, and his son
Chester, survive him.

RAGGED CHILDREN'S FUND.

Y. M. C. A. Acknowledges Various
Donations.

The secretary of the Y. M. C. A. ac-
knowledges with thanks the following
subscriptions to the above fund, totaling
\$124.75. The cash has been forwarded
to Mr. John Kirk, the secretary of the
Ragged School Union. This year the
dinner will be given at the West Ham
town hall and upwards of 1,300 child-
ren will be fed, particulars of which
will be published later.

Centennial Methodist Sunday school,
\$21; Metropolitan Methodist Sunday
school, \$15; Mrs. Corbin, \$8; Crew of
S. S. "Beatrice," \$5.80; H. J. Martin,
\$5; A. W. Vowell, \$5; Mrs. R. H. Har-
ris, \$2.50; Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, \$2.50;
Mrs. Dickson, \$2.50; Miss Harris, \$2;
F. L. S., \$2; J. O. W., \$2; Friend, \$2;
Stamps, \$1; W. P. Fullerton, \$1; F.
Colley and wife, \$1; G. K. Gillespie, \$1;
Errol Gillespie, \$1; W. W. Ralph, \$1;
E. H. Neelands, \$1; O. Margison, \$1;
A. T. Margison, \$1; Mrs. G. Mowat, \$1;
Dorothy Harris, \$1; J. A. C., \$1; J. A.
Duncan, \$1; M. E. Moore, \$1; C. B.,
\$1; H. M., \$1; H. P. Butler, \$1; Mrs.
Nicholas, \$1; E. and L. Head, \$1; Miss
Pond, \$1; A. C. Bass, \$1; A. Friend,
\$1; B. P. Shepherd, \$1; M. F. S., 75
cents; H. W. N., 70 cents; Mrs. Grarab,
50 cents; Katie McGraw, 50 cents;
Friend, 50 cents; E. W. Whittington, 50
cents; H. R. Selick, 50 cents; A. Friend,
50 cents; A. Friend, 50 cents; Jack
Waddington, 50 cents; E. M. W., 50
cents; H. G. Cadding, 50 cents; Clarence
H. Harris, 50 cents; A. Friend, 50
cents; A. Friend, 50 cents; P. J. A.,
50 cents; P. Dykes, 50 cents; Mrs. J.
S. Stannard, 50 cents; Paul Clyde, 50
cents; Friend, 25 cents; Friend, 25 cents;
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Another Day Over Drawing

Further Session Yesterday of Commission Over South Park School Trouble.

Superintendent Eaton and Some of the School Trustees Are Examined.

The royal commission appointed to enquire into the alleged use of rulers in free-hand drawing at the South Park school was resumed yesterday forenoon before his honor, Judge Lampman, after an adjournment from Friday last.

The first witness called was Alex. Robinson, superintendent of education. In his evidence he stated that he was a graduate of Dalhousie college. He had been conducting the teachers' examinations at the High school when the books were examined. It was a general thing for the books to be examined by him if there was anything of a special nature attending them, but not otherwise.

Mr. Robinson's Evidence. Mr. Robinson stated that all the rules had come out to the teachers. He had been distinctly stated that no ruling was to be done. On the 17th of August a letter was received from Miss Cameron about the drawings; thereupon he consulted Hon. Mr. Tattow, and later on, on the 18th, Miss Cameron and Miss Fraser came down to examine the books. Both the teachers allowed that the datum lines had been ruled in the books, and Miss Fraser in reply to a question as to why she had said to the superintendent by letter that she had followed regulations answered that she did not know that she had so said.

After three-quarters of an hour the trustees got tired of looking at the books but they decided to throw them out as an act of discipline to the teachers.

In reply to a question from Mr. Elliott, regarding the boy Boyd, Mr. Robinson said "I know nothing about it."

Mr. Elliott—Was not your letter written in order to entrust Miss Cameron and the teachers?

Witness—It was very sorry your honor that Mr. Elliott has asked me that question here, where I can not treat him as he ought to be treated.

Mr. Robinson stated that he knew that Miss Cameron would take the affidavits. With regard to the marking of the books, Mr. Robinson mentioned that he had made an arbitrary raise in favor of the books in order to let them get through.

Mr. Elliott—Why did you crawl back? Mr. Roberts—Why don't you use technical terms; crawl-fish.

Children Interviewed. Mr. Robinson again stated that he had Miss Cameron could obtain the affidavits. This knowledge was based on his conception of her character; she had good qualities but would carry things through. In many respects Miss Cameron was the best of organizers and had a wonderful control over her school.

Mr. Higgins—How about Ida McNamara? Witness—She came in with her father; I said in a jocular way, "Why have you done so much ruling." The girl cried, "I saw that I was up against it and that it would not do to get into a controversy with anyone."

Commissioner—How long have you been dealing with children. Witness—I have my own children. When I see a ruled line I know it is a ruled line, if a hundred people say it is not.

Mr. Higgins—Will you swear that a line is ruled when the person who ruled says that it is not? (Laughter.)

In response to a question regarding Mr. Hanna, witness said that he had no answer. It was useless to try and reason with Mr. Hanna or people of that kind. As quietly as possible he had got him out of the office.

It transpired during Mr. Robinson's evidence that the books had never been in the possession of the department. When they were not in the office they were under lock and key in the charge of either Mr. Robinson or Mr. Wilson.

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tails in connection therewith. He called as his first witness F. H. Eaton superintendent of the city schools.

Witness was perfectly familiar with all the questions regarding the drawing lessons. He had been interviewed several times by Miss Cameron who on one occasion stated that several of the pupils had been debarred from passing, owing to the low marks in drawing. He considered that it was not true that any pupil had been kept back on account of the drawing. Miss Cameron had asked his advice as to what she should do and he had told her to go to the education department for an explanation. She had written a letter in his office, to the superintendent of education, requesting an explanation. He had examined the marks and had seen that it was not true that pupils had been debarred from entering the High school solely on account of the low marks in drawing, and had written to Miss Cameron so informing her. For a pupil to enter the High school he must obtain 34 per cent in every subject and 50 per cent of the total number of marks. Miss Cameron had told him that all the drawing had been done under her personal supervision and it was impossible for rulers to be used.

Miss Cameron had considered that the action of the department was against the ability of the teachers in charge, and according to the report the department considered that either Miss Fraser or herself were untruthful or incompetent. He had told Miss Cameron that he would assist her with the protest if the case warranted it. He had examined the books and was satisfied that rulers had been used when it was forbidden. He had told Miss Cameron of his examination and she was rather displeased and said that she thought he would be the champion for the pupils and teachers. She had asked him if he was going to do anything further and he had told her that he was going to Vancouver and would see Mr. Blair, but thought that they had better take the medicine. He was present at the interview between Mr. Robinson and Miss Cameron when they were examining the books, and Mr. Robinson had objected to Miss Cameron taking notes regarding the books. Miss Cameron had refused to allow to look at the books, and started to leave the room. Witness called her back and told her that he thought she was making a mistake. He did not hear any remark about "this is not the time to get admissions."

Mr. Robinson stated that he was perfectly willing at any time to show every book and every drawing. He had been interviewed by Miss Fraser, who had asked him if there was nothing that could be done to induce Miss Cameron to withdraw her objections. He did not see any thing to stop her, Miss Fraser was convinced that nothing could be gained by carrying the subject any further than it had gone. He had communicated with the school trustees and had asked them if they could not be induced to withdraw her protest. He did not recall Miss Cameron requesting to be relieved of her duties. There was no written request, and there was no charge of dishonesty against the children. The first time he had heard about the affidavits was at a meeting of the school board. He had received the information from Mr. Blair that the average of the other schools of the province. He wrote the letter to Miss Cameron requesting her to deliver the affidavits, which she had in her possession. No reference as to a royal commission had been made at this time. He had no recollection of Miss Cameron asking for an enquiry. He had never heard

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Mr. Blair said he had never seen any report from him saying the pupils of South Park school were cheats and falsifiers. Miss Cameron was notified that her services would no longer be required after she wrote to the board stating that she had no affidavits in her possession. Cross-examined by Mr. Elliott, witness stated that previous to undertaking his duties in Victoria he was conducting a newspaper. He was not responsible for all the reports that had been submitted by the trustees. He had drawn up a report previous to the trustees going to examine the books. The report was his, and the remainder was not. The trustees had assumed the responsibility of the section. There was no evidence, apart from the books, which was based on the instructions given to the teachers. He had a number of opportunities to instruct the teachers, and he had been instructed in the first division at the South Park school. He had never given the teachers any instructions as to using the Blair system of drawing. He would not recommend the Blair system till he had compared it with others. The drawing of the pupils of Miss Fraser's class had been exhibited at New Westminster. He did not remember if Miss Fraser was written to asking her to call at his office on the day that she had an interview regarding Miss Cameron, for the purpose of inducing her to withdraw her protest. He had not made any remarks about Miss Cameron's days being numbered, and that she was to be succeeded by Mr. Deane. He had not made the remark that either he or Miss Cameron would have to go.

In answer to His Honor, he stated that there was considerable excitement in the interview between Miss Cameron and Mr. Robinson. He had never stated that she had an interview regarding Trustee Jay's Evidence.

George Jay was the next witness. He went over the various steps of the school trustees which led up to Miss Cameron's dismissal. Miss Cameron had called upon him and urged that the children be given an opportunity of doing the drawing over. She had told him that she had taken some affidavits and intended to take them from all the pupils. He told her that he thought it was wrong to take the affidavits, and he would not attach anything more to them than if they had been an ordinary statement. He had examined the books previously to the trustees going over them. No test was given the children, as the board did not consider it necessary after inspecting the books.

In reply to Mr. Elliott, Trustee Jay stated that he had seen the books several times. The first time was in August, when Mr. Robinson had presented them to him. He could not recall the conversation in detail, but the books inspected were selected by Mr. Robinson. He had drawn up the report for the school trustees. He did not think that it was intended to convey the idea that an examination had been made under Mr. Eaton's personal supervision. He did not consider it was a case of circumstantial evidence, as the books were not circumstantial evidence. He had never asked Mr. Eaton if he had given any instruction in drawing in the first division of the South Park school. He had never compared the books with those of any other school, and had never seen any books from schools that had not been accused of using rulers. With regard to the oath of a child, he considered that there were untruthful children as well as adults.

Trustee Huggert was the next witness. He had gone over to the department expecting to find the drawing as stated by Miss Cameron, but had found otherwise. He was in favor of Miss Cameron, but changed his opinion when he inspected the books and questioned the draughtsman in charge of the department. From the affidavits he had understood that there was no ruling in any of the books.

In answer to Mr. Elliott, he stated that he had expressed the opinion that the Blair system of drawing was "rotten," but had done so when he was in an angry mood. He referred to it as inferior work on the teaching, on the scholars and the system. He was aware that the work of the teachers during the previous year was satisfactory. He thought that a teacher had no right to request an enquiry. The commission was to allow the public to get at the bottom regarding the facts of the case.

The hearing was then adjourned till 10:15 o'clock this morning.

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Attention is also called to the following provision of Section 3 of the said Act, namely: "No declaration shall be accepted by the Clerk unless it is delivered with in 48 hours after it is made. Provided all declarations shall be delivered before 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the day on which the list is closed by the Clerk." Hence, and Justices of the Peace, and other authorized persons, before whom the declarations will be made, are respectfully requested to NOTE THEREON, THE HOUR, AS WELL AS THE DATE, when such declarations are made before them.

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By Order of the Municipal Council. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk.

Victoria, B. C., November 29, 1905. 230

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991.....	9.....	L. & I.	Mrs. G. Lawrence.	George Roper Lawrence.....	32 40	3 25	5 85	41 50
992.....	9.....	L. & I.	Mrs. G. Lawrence.	Prosper Mene.....	22 80	3 05	4 10	29 95
993.....	9.....	L. & I.	G. R. Lawrence.....	Half lot Prosper Mene, other half title not reg'd.	21 60	3 04	3 90	28 54
997.....	17.....	L. & I.	Frank S. Montero.	Joseph Montero.....	21 60	3 04	3 90	28 54
1007.....	8.....	L. & I.	Frank S. Montero.	Joseph Montero.....	25 80	3 20	4 20	37 20
1081.....	L. & I.	Mrs. M. H. Watkins et al.	John Watkins.....	24 60	3 10	4 20	31 40
9.....	East 1/2, 5-acre Lot VI.	L. & I.	Elberts and Taylor.	Auguste Poloj.....	7 20	1 30	1 30	11 25
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49.....	74.....	L. & I.	Emma Williams.....	Emma Williams.....	2 40	2 65	45	5 50
5.....	pt. 42 (23x10)	69-72.....	L. & I.	Mrs. M. R. Roobin.	Clara O. Haggerty.....	11 40	2 83	2 43	16 28
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12 of 1.....	7.....	L. & I.	Miss H. E. McLaughlin.	Hannah E. McLaughlin.....	2 65	2 66	45	5 70
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38.....	53 and 64.	L. & I.	J. A. Van Tassel.	E. C. Stephenson.....	4 40	2 70	1 05	8 15
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15 of 5.....	7.....	L. & I.	H. R. Ella.....	Henry Reece Ella.....	8 25	2 75	1 70	12 60
7.....	8-12.	L. & I.	John Fraser.....	John Fraser.....	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
8.....	8-12.	L. & I.	John Fraser.....	John Fraser.....	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
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55.....	Springfield.	L. & I.	Percy A. Raymond.	Elizabeth Raymond.....	13 92	2 88	2 50	19 30

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Advances of Epidemic
That the epidemic has made terrible advances is disclosed in the report sent by Dr. Spink to the secretary of the provincial board, which states that there were on December 22 approximately 70 cases of typhoid fever, with four deaths to date, and a possibility of more among the present cases. The patients were all interrogated by the local physicians, Dr. B. B. Boncher and Dr. S. Gordon, as to the use and source of milk, and it was disclosed that all but one were milk drinkers and obtained milk directly or indirectly from Mowatt's ranch. The above has been no case to date at the big Granby boarding house, which is supplied with milk from Mowatt's milk ranch, and none reported among the customers of Hadden's milk ranch.

Dr. Spink reports a fearful condition of affairs on investigating Mowatt's milk ranch, about one-quarter of a mile out of Phoenix, where a thorough investigation was made of the stables, milk cans, house, milk cans, water supply and dwelling. He characterizes the cow stables as being in a deplorable state of filth, without drainage, proper ventilation, and that dirt and cow dung were dropped there from the ceiling, and a foul odor prevailed. The animals were covered with filth to the udders. He describes the milking process as filthy, that it was carried out in front of the stables, and with an old bran sack, and neither cow nor hands of milkers were washed. The yards presented a filthy aspect, especially in the immediate neighborhood of the stables, where there are many pools of drainage rank with decomposition. It appears that two of Mowatt's children, a girl and a boy, as well as the above, but the mother has taken them to Chewelah, across the line, and no doctor attended them for many days previous to their departure.

Disease Not Due to Water
In concluding his report, Dr. Spink says: "Typhoid is not due to the water supply, or it would be general throughout the town. No cases of sickness are reported at the Granby boarding house, where Phoenix water is used and Mowatt's milk is supplied. There are no cases of sickness among customers of Hadden's ranch. All of the present cases, with one exception, have been milk drinkers and among the customers of Mowatt's. The above facts, taken together with the unsanitary and filthy state of Mowatt's ranch, in my opinion, proves that the present outbreak of typhoid fever at Phoenix originated at Mowatt's milk ranch, and that infection was disseminated through the medium of milk supplied by him. I fail to see why this particular ranch was ever allowed to do business or how it was possible for customers to be so careless of the place pertaining to the dairy business, and Mowatt has been suspended until such time as he can comply with every regulation covering dairies."

"So far as we know, we have obtained the source of the trouble, and that is the whole thing in typhoid fever," said Dr. J. C. Fagan yesterday to a Colonist representative. "From Dr. Spink's report I am quite satisfied that they now have the situation well in hand, which, so far as I can see at present, will not necessitate my making a trip to Phoenix. Should, however, the situation be unhappily within two weeks, I will personally make a complete investigation."

Failure to Report Typhoid
"I regret to say that the profession generally throughout the whole province have not reported cases of typhoid, as provided by the act, or as they report the other infectious diseases. It is my intention to recommend that this provision be rigidly enforced. I have before me a report of an epidemic of diphtheria at Ladners, which undoubtedly started from neglect of a local medical practitioner to report to the local authorities. I expect to go up there in a couple of days and inquire into the cases, and will have no hesitation in recommending that the penal clause of the regulations be carried out," he concluded.

The Mining Record.—The Boundary Creek Times in its issue of Friday, December 22, says: "E. Jacobs, editor of the Mining Record, left on Tuesday for the coast. Mr. Jacobs was here getting data for the annual review of mining in the province, to appear in his publication. Since Mr. Jacobs took charge of the Mining Record it has greatly improved."

Deserters From Artillery.—The Vancouver News-Advertiser of Wednesday says: "During the recent visit to this city of the Royal Garrison Artillery hockey team of Victoria, two of the gunners, E. Quarry and J. Gaskell, deserted, and it was afterwards discovered that they had gone to Seattle. A chum of Gaskell's deserted and went to Seattle some time ago, and the other two men evidently wished to join him."

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RUINS OF BURNED HOUSES
IN CRONSTADT

KIDNAPPING CHARGE WAS DISMISSED

Mrs. Durham Accused of Steal-
ing Child Discharged by
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The charge of kidnapping preferred against Mrs. Durham was dismissed before Police Magistrate Hall in the Police court yesterday. James Murray accused Mrs. Durham of kidnapping an adopted child, six years old from Seattle where Murray secured the custody of the child on an order issued by the Seattle Supreme court. Mrs. Murray is a daughter of Mrs. Durham, who was divorced from Murray at Seattle and the adopted child of the couple was then placed in a convent at Vancouver. Later there was a reconciliation and the couple took the child from Vancouver convent to Seattle. Trouble again arising they again separated and the wife obtained an order for the custody of the child, which order the husband attacked and upset, and had possession of the little girl until Mrs. Durham secured the child and brought the girl to Victoria, where the accused was arrested by Detective Sergeant Palmer. An arrangement was made whereby the child will be placed in the orphan's home and Mrs. Durham and daughter will be permitted to visit the little girl.

William Kelly who was returned to Seattle from Victoria by the instruction of the local police a short time ago together with his fifteen-year-old wife, had a narrow escape from death at Seattle on Tuesday when Robert Mann, his wife's step-father fired at him three times with a revolver, but failed to hit him. Kelly married Eva Boda, the daughter of Mann's divorced wife by a former husband. At the time of her marriage she was the prosecuting witness against Joe Marselle, a dance hall owner. Marselle was convicted and is now under sentence of two years in the penitentiary. Kelly married for fear of prosecution. The day before the Marselle trial Kelly accepted money from Marselle and fled with his wife to Victoria. They were located and a bench warrant issued for their arrest. Two Seattle detectives were sent after them, and with the aid of the Victoria police forced them to return to Seattle. The girl at the conclusion of the trial was fined \$100 for contempt of court for fleeing to Victoria. Her mother paid the fine. Mann has had several quarrels with Kelly since he married his former step-daughter.

Robt. Bell, who was accused of highway robbery, being charged with snatching a purse from Mrs. Dennis on Douglas street on Christmas eve, was again remanded.

AT THE HOTELS.

The King Edward
George D. Donnan, John Wallace, Jas. McEwen, Vancouver.
THE BALMORAL
M. Louise Kern, Vancouver; W. Brendon, Moresby Island; Miss Breton, Vancouver.

The Driad
W. R. Dockerell, Chemist; J. H. O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Roche, Miss S. M. Jones, Seattle; Thos. S. Week, B. Lindenberg, Seattle; S. S. Fowler, Nelson; Fred Young, Grouse; J. S. Walsh, Toronto; Mrs. R. E. Davis, Miss Davis, H. E. Beasley, Vancouver; H. A. Tibbott, Rainy River, Ont.

The Dominion
A. Campbell, Miss Campbell, Fleming, Sask.; E. Danielson, Oils Danielson, Chas. White, M. H. McEwen, Emmelaw, Wm. Frank Hartt and wife, Shawanigan; J. W. Kelly, Duncan; M. C. McLeod, Dawson; L. Cameron, Wm. Morrison, Seattle; Mrs. T. K. Johnson, son and daughter, Seattle; Ed. Belanger, Charles Belanger, Vancouver; J. A. Kelly, Seattle; C. E. Borden, R. Davidson, Nanaimo; C. L. Kirk, wife, Seattle; J. Thompson, New Westminster; Emily McGill, Nanaimo; W. Cassidy, New Westminster; H. McLean, R. Kelly, W. A. Sargent, Vancouver; F. Cade, Winnipeg; J. Potts, Milledosa; J. H. Vanstone, Vancouver; Geo. Featherston, George Madill, Milledosa; E. Featherston, Steveston; Frank Graham, Brandon; J. E. Adams, Vancouver.

The Victoria
S. M. Sawyer, Nanaimo; R. Short, Mt. Sicker; B. Bell, Mt. Sicker; T. Barrett, Duncan; E. Bottomley, Vancouver; Walter Ford, Duncan; W. Griffiths and wife, Seattle; James Montell and son, H. Moore, Seattle; Miss Frye, J. T. Smedgrass, Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, New Westminster.

The Queen's
Mrs. Wheatley and sons, Nanaimo; W. Grant, San Francisco; C. E. Pearmain, Somenos; Miss H. Rowland, South Salt Spring Island; Miss May Itano, Puffin Harbor; J. Farrell, Bellingham; J. G. Ash and daughters, Vancouver; J. Ganey and family, Moncton; Chas. Troughton, R. C. Powell, Vancouver; Robt. Ferguson and family, Dauphin; A. G. Cameron, A. McNeil, Boissevale, Man.; Thos. Elliott, Boissevale, Man.; Mr. and Mrs. McKendzie, La Havre, Man.; R. W. Wadsworth, Dauphin.

CAPTAIN'S UNFORTUNATE END.
Ogdensburg, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Captain Orman Johnson, who had sailed lake and river craft for nearly forty years, was killed today at the George Hall Coal Company's plant, where he recently had been employed as superintendent. A car loaded with coal passed over his body.



GROUP OF HEBREW REFUGEES IN ODESSA

PREPARING FOR OPENING OF HOUSE

Some Arrangements Made for
the Approaching Session
of Legislature.

With the opening of the provincial parliament on the 11th January next, interest once more is being centered on the legislators who will be gathered in the buildings across James bay. A Colonist reporter yesterday, on his visit to the Parliament buildings found the various departments busily engaged in preparing estimates and reports which will be required as soon as the house meets.

At the last executive meeting the council resolved among other things that during the coming session there should be no bar in connection with the lunch room. The staff to be engaged about the house during the sitting of the legislature has also been decided upon and the personnel is practically the same as last year. The familiar figure of W. J. Saunders will once more be seen parading the corridors and inaugurating the seating of the members in their official capacity as Sergeant-at-Arms. Munroe Miller will be his deputy. Richard Ryan will hold down the position of door-keeper and W. J. Musson will be His Majesty's messenger. There will also be a half dozen pages.

Speculation that the attitude of the members of the house at the last session of the 42 members, 23 will support the government on straight party measures leaving a possible combination of 19 in opposition. This last number including two socialists and one labor member.

Speculation is rife as to the probable attitude of the enigmatical member for Nelson—John Houston, for several months a resident of Goldfields, Nevada. It is a matter of common knowledge that he has stated to several of his friends that he will certainly take his seat in the house this session and perform his duties to his constituents. Having regard to the somewhat sensational episodes in the member's career since last session there are those who doubt the probability of his putting in an appearance, but the best answer to this seems to be that he has already engaged his old room, "No. 63," at the Driad hotel.

Possibly the most important piece of gossip circulating among local politicians is to the effect that Mr. J. A. MacDonald K.C., member for Rossland and leader of the Opposition is to be elevated to the judicial bench. This is said to have been his ambition for some time. This will create a vacancy in the Rossland constituency and it is more than doubtful if a Liberal candidate can be found strong enough to carry the constituency. It is freely asserted that Mr. Smith Curtis is the only man who could do it, but he is out of politics, at least he told the Colonist man when here recently. The Colonist is well advised that this was one of the important matters discussed at the late Liberal caucus.

IROQUOIS' EXCITING TIME.

The Nanaimo Free Press in its issue of yesterday said: "Considerable anxiety was expressed yesterday over the non-arrival of the steamer Iroquois. The steamer left Victoria in the heavy weather, and all went well until Retreat Cove was reached, when the backwash blew out of one of the cylinder heads. She put out anchors to hold her until the damage was repaired, but they were unable to hold her. From the meagre particulars to hand the steamer must have had an exciting time battling with the gale, but was enabled, it is understood, to finally return to Victoria, using one cylinder. The City of Nanaimo arrived today with her freight."

OF TRADE INTEREST.

Matters of Moment in Report of Canadian Agent in Australia.

In the weekly report of the commercial agent for Victoria, South Australia, Rossland and Tasmania (Mr. D. H. Ross), dated Melbourne, November 9 last, the following appears:—
In October, a portion—some 40 cases—of a shipment of apples ex the Aorangi from Vancouver, was, upon arrival, condemned and destroyed by the New South Wales department of agriculture at Sydney, on account of the fruit being diseased with apple scab or black spot. This shipment was packed by a Vancouver firm, and in addition to the disease the apples were said to be of all sizes and shapes, and altogether an inferior, rough lot. Small shipments of British Columbia fruit which arrived in Australia last year were of fine quality and without blemish, so far as disease was concerned, and, therefore, Australian importers were looking forward to a better quality of fruit than they had been supplied with from Vancouver instead of from San Francisco, as heretofore. All the Australian states are exceedingly particular not to allow diseased fruit to enter this country. The introduction of Canadian apples into Australia has received a very serious set back through the condition of the shipment referred to. Further consignments landed in Sydney this week, but up to the closing of this mail I have not received advice as to the result of the government inspection.

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PERSONAL.
Hon. P. J. Fulton, provincial secretary, is expected to return this evening from a brief visit to Kamloops.
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John R. Hart, a prominent attorney of Seattle, is staying at the Driad.
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S. W. Bodley of New Westminster is a guest at the Balmora hotel.
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The entry test for the New Year billiard tournament to take place at the Driad hotel is filling very rapidly. Already about twenty players have signified their intention of competing, and several more are expected to enter before the first closes. The first round will take place on December 31, and the first game will be played on the evening of January 1. Besides this tournament arrangements are being pressed very favorably for a match game of 500 points between F. Smith and Sergt. C. P. Askey. The former has already consented, but the latter is yet to be heard from; it is expected that he will be willing to play.

HANDBALL.
Peder Wins
The final in the Y. M. C. A. handball tournament was played last evening, and resulted in a win for T. Peder over R. Whyte by the score of 21-8, 21-13.

FOR MAYOR
To the Electors of Victoria.
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Being requested by a number of citizens to accept nomination for Mayor, I feel in duty bound to offer my services, and do so the more willingly, believing the people are weary of the insidious influences exercised by corporate companies over city affairs.
That they are prepared for municipal control and gradual ownership of public utilities.
For the replacing of the present high rates for light with the minimum for good service.
For a square deal on the water question, believing that the present trumped up suit is a menace to the reputed rights of the city.
For a more efficient and economical service of the department of works.
For the safeguarding of the city's interest in the disposition of the Songhees Reserve.
And for open dealings of the Council.
A. J. MORLEY.
December 23, 1905.

SPORTS
FOOTBALL.
Garrison vs. Victoria United
The last scheduled game between the Garrison and Victoria United to be played at Oak Bay this season will take place on Saturday afternoon. This will be the first game between these two teams in the series for the championship of the island, and both teams are expected to put forth every effort to win. Although it will be the last game at Oak Bay, the teams will have to meet again at the Baracks, but the hardest fight is looked for on Saturday. As is well remembered, the Victoria United won from the Garrison in the city league, but this has only urged them to an extra attempt to win from the local team in this the greater of the two championships.
As the league stands at present, the local team is leading, having secured two points for one game played. By winning on Saturday they will have secured a lead that will be hard to overcome. On the other hand, the Garrison have one point for one game, and a win on Saturday will put them in the lead with three points for two games. The local team are losing no opportunities to practice, and will be in good condition for the game. The entire team will be out every evening this week, and when the game is commenced, the players will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are in good condition.
With this game in sight, the players are all requested to turn out this evening to take their regular run.
The game on Saturday afternoon will commence at 2:45 o'clock sharp in order that the game will not be interfered with on account of darkness.
Hugh Fulton of Ladysmith is the referee for the match, and he is known to be very strict against rough play.

Game for New Year's Day
The first International Association football to be played in this city for a number of years will take place on the afternoon of New Year's day between the Victoria United and Seattle. This will be the second game between these two teams, the first having been played in Seattle at the flush of last season. Since that time the Seattle team has been considerably strengthened and will come over having an unbroken list of victories this season. They have in the last few weeks met and defeated Tacoma, Port Blakely, the Thistles of Seattle and the Garrison team of Port Lawton. The latter team are considered experts at the game, having learned the mysteries of it in China during the major raids, and while there met and defeated all the representatives from the different regiments. To win from this team is considered by the Seattle players to be a great achievement, and they are now confident of turning the tables on the local players.
The local team will take no chances, but will put on the strongest available team in order that they may not be downed by their American consuls.

RUGBY.
Team to Meet Vancouver
The team to represent the Victoria Rugby Football Club against Vancouver at Oak Bay on the morning of New Year's day, was selected last evening. Although the team is not as strong as expected, still a very fair aggregation has been got together. The team is not a very heavy one, but what it lacks in weight is made up in speed. It is not entirely made up of old players, but a sufficient number have been put on to balance the team, and to encourage the younger players.
At full back will be found K. Gillespie, and a better back could

Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 22nd day of January, 1906.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 1st day of February, 1906.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 8th day of February, 1906.

Dated the 1st day of December, 1905.

THORNTON FELL,
42 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE Estate of John Humphreys, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the "Trusts and Executors Act," that all creditors of the Estate of the said deceased are required on or before the 8th day of January, 1906, to send particulars of their claims duly verified to the undersigned, solicitors for the Estate of the said deceased, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

DATED at Victoria, B. C., this 20th day of November, 1905.

DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
20 Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said Executors.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at their next sitting as a Licensing Court for a license for the sale of wine, beer, and spirits, and also for the sale of cigars and tobacco, upon the premises situate on Douglas Street, in the City of Victoria, and known as the Vernon Hotel, to Forbes George Vernon.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1905.

MARION PATTERSON.

NOTICE—The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act extending the time for commencing and completing an extension of its main line to Comox and the branches referred to in its Act of Incorporation, and also for extending the Company to construct and operate a railway from Comox to a point at or near Campbell River; also a branch from its main line at or near Duncan via Courtenay Valley to Alberni; also a branch from a point at or near Englishman's River to Alberni Canal, and a branch from a point at or near Comox via Cumberland southwesterly to Alberni Canal, and giving the Company general powers to construct branch lines and for other purposes.

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10 ACRES—9 miles out, 4 acres cleared; 4 roomed dwelling; 80 fruit trees. Price including house, rig, farming implements, furniture and poultry, only \$1,200.

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**School Board Last Evening Fills
Vacancies on the Local
Educational Staff.**

The vacant positions on the staff of
the local schools were filled last even-
ing at a meeting of the board of school
trustees. Two vacancies required to be
filled and an additional teacher ap-
pointed. The vacancies were caused
by the resignation of Miss Nesbitt and
the dismissal of Miss Cameron, the
additional teacher being required for
the commercial course at the High
School. For the latter the choice of
the board was Aaron Perry, M. A. This
gentleman comes highly recommended
and is well qualified to fill the duties.

To fill the vacancies S. B. Netheby
and J. T. E. Palmer, B. A., were added
to the staff, without being assigned to
any particular school. It was decided
that W. N. Winsby should be trans-
ferred from the position of principal of
Victoria West to the principalship of
South Park school, Mr. Deane of the
South Park school being promoted to
the principalship of the Victoria West
school. These changes will go into
effect at the commencement of the
ensuing term.

The business before the meeting was
as follows: The buildings and grounds
committee reported that with regard
to the drainage at the Hillside Avenue
school it would be necessary to obtain
the right-of-way through the lots in
the rear of the school. The committee
arranged the drainage it would cost in
the neighborhood of \$400, excluding the
cost of the right-of-way.

The report of the finance commit-
tee, enclosing accounts for the month,
was adopted and the accounts were
ordered paid. It was also decided to
pay the outstanding liabilities against
the High School.

Before going into committee of the
whole to fill the vacant positions on
the staff.

Trustee Lewis called attention to the
lack of patriotism in the schools. He
would like to see every room in every
school in the city provided with a flag,
which the pupils could be taught to
salute before commencing their exer-
cises. He thought that some effort
should be made to instill into the
minds of the pupils the idea of patri-
otism in their country, and in better
manner than this could be selected.

The board then went into committee
of the whole to appoint teachers to fill
the vacant positions, after which the
meeting adjourned.

JACKSON POISONING CASE.

A Change of Venue Applied for in the
Fisher Extradition Matter.

Respecting the latest developments in
the Jackson poisoning case of Vancouver,
the World of yesterday's date says:

"A change of venue has been applied for
in the Fisher extradition case by the Van-
couver authorities. Prosecutor Farris act-
ing for the city through his lawyers, New-
comb & Mathis, of Balise. The applica-
tion asks that the case be heard in Bel-
ham, recent experiences having convinced
the prosecution that a fair trial is by no
means a certainty in Bialise.

"Sergeant Walker of the Victoria police
department, who passed through Van-
couver this morning to New Westminster
in charge of a lunatic, will go to Bellingham
to give evidence for the prosecution at
the trial tomorrow. Sergeant Walker
knew the Jones boy in Victoria, and his
evidence will favor the contention of the
prosecution that Fisher is the son and
not the nephew of Mrs. Jones. Deven-
port Muliera has accumulated a number
of depositions strengthening the case for
the prosecution, and the department
professes considerable confidence in its
ability to secure the extradition of Fisher.

"At present the police are paying such
attention as they can to investigating an-
other case with a view to laying a charge
of theft against Harry Fisher. Recent
developments have caused the detectives
to suspect that Fisher committed the bur-
glary of Webster Bros.' store which took
place some time ago, and has never been
cleared up. When Mrs. Jones' house was
searched after she and Mrs. Jackson were
arrested, a quantity of tobacco and cigars
were found in the room occupied by Fisher
and vacated so hurriedly. The police are
endeavoring to have the goods identified
and are working on the theory that Fisher
committed the burglary of the grocery
store, where he was until last Wednesday
emphatically.

"Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Jackson are wor-
rying the police a good deal by continual
complaints regarding the treatment they
are receiving in the jail. Sometimes they
complain that the woman's ward is too
warm and sometimes that it is too cold.
Chief North cannot understand it, and
says that his jail is quite as comfortable
as any other in these parts."

Meet This Evening.—A meeting of the
Merchants' Service Guild will be held
this evening at 8 o'clock. A full attend-
ance is requested.

Special Christmas Number.—With
the publication of an elaborately illus-
trated special Christmas number in
magazine form as a supplement to the
Kootenay Mail of the 23rd instant,
"309" is written to its history. Begin-
ning with the new year, arrangements
have been made for the amalgamation
of the Kootenay Mail and the Revel-
stoke Herald. A company is being
incorporated to take over and conduct
the business of the two printers, which
has been registered with a capital
of \$50,000. The newspaper to be
issued by the Interior Publishing
Company, as the new concern will be
known, is to be called the Mail-Herald
and will be published twice a week
after the first of next month. It will
be independent in politics. The com-
pany is being financially supported by
the enterprising business men of Re-
velstoke, and it is stated that a sub-
stantial, up-to-date printing office is
to be built and equipped with a view to
making it a credit to the city and dis-
trict generally.

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TO THROW OFF**RUSSIAN YOKE**

**Poles Preparing for Armed In-
surrection Against the
Autocracy.**

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27, 11:36 p.m.—
According to information received
by the revolutionary leaders here
an armed rebellion on a large
scale has been planned in Poland.
The socialist revolutionaries, encouraged
by the success of the insurgents in the
Baltic provinces and of the situation in
Moscow, and in Russia generally have
decided that the moment has come to
try to cast off the yoke of the autocracy.
The tactics to be followed are the
same as those adopted at Moscow. The
rising to be preceded by a general strike
which already has practically come into
operation, bringing about half the rail-
roads in Poland to a standstill.

An open rebellion in Poland would im-
mediately complicate the situation for
the government, if it should gain enough
headway to warrant hope of success. It
probably would draw in the entire popu-
lation and the government would prac-
tically have to reconquer the country.

The Associated Press learns that Mr.
Meyer, the American Ambassador, made
representations to the Russian govern-
ment regarding the danger and the neces-
sity for the protection of the property
and employees of the New York Air-
brake company at Lubertzi, an industrial
town near Moscow and that he was
promised that the protection desired
would be given immediately in case of
emergency. This perhaps accounts for
the prompt action of General Donbassoff
governor-general of Moscow, in dispatch-
ing dragoons to Lubertzi yesterday.

"A Typical Incident"

London, Dec. 27.—The correspondent
of the Daily Telegraph at St. Peters-
burg, as an instance of the struggle
conducted at Kharkoff, relates as fol-
lows, which he calls a "typical inci-
dent."

"A little boy was seen approaching
Konny's square, where a detachment
of Cossacks were stationed. The Cos-
sacks brutally drew a line on the child,
but the boy was allowed to approach
and, arriving at the spot, he
swung his right hand vigorously and
then turned and ran. A violent ex-
plosion prevented the Cossacks noting
his further movements.

"The boy had thrown a bomb, which
plowed up the ground. Fragments of
hoses were all around, and some of
the Cossacks were convulsed in the
agonies of death, while streams of
blood were flowing along the torn-up
roadway."

A despatch from St. Petersburg to a
news agency says it is reported that
the railroad for 100 miles south of
Minsk has been captured by the rev-
olutionists, and that there has been
serious rioting at Kolpino, near St.
Petersburg.

To Succor French Residents

Brest, Dec. 27.—It is now confirmed
that the French cruiser Cassini will
proceed to Cronstadt from Copen-
hagen. The government has placed the
cruiser at the disposal of M. Bonaparte,
the French ambassador at St. Peters-
burg.

Paris, Dec. 27.—The St. Petersburg
correspondent of the Journal, in a de-
spatch dated December 27, says:

"Another bomb was thrown at the
Vilna station today when the German
express arrived there. The missile
was badly made, however, and the ex-
plosion which resulted did not cause
serious damage.

"Passengers from Moscow when 35
miles outside that city are compelled
to transfer from trains to vehicles
drawn by horses."

FROM GRAND FORKS.

Items of Interest From the Busy
Boundary Mining Camp.

Grand Forks, Dec. 24.—An unconfir-
med report is current here that a deal
is pending for the purchase of the Pat-
finder property on Patfinder mountain,
some twelve miles from here. It is in-
dicated that the property is owned by
the property owner are an American syn-
dicate, the price to be paid will likely
be in the neighborhood of \$150,000,
which would put the value of the stock
at ten cents per share, the capitalization
of the present company being 1,500,000
shares—the Patfinder is probably one
of the best known properties on the
North Fork it can be put on a shipping
basis at small cost and is right on the
line of the proposed North Fork rail-
way.

Dave Evans, the well known freighter
left here yesterday with three tons of
provisions, being, supplies for the Kettle
Valley line survey party, which are now
camped at the Forks of the river some 30
miles up the North Fork, the fact of
such large supplies being furnished is
proof that the company now in business
as these provisions will last the survey
party of sixteen men some three months.
From the reports just received no engi-
neering difficulties worthy of mention have
been encountered and there is every rea-
son to believe that in the early spring
the survey party will be replaced with
numerous grading outfits.

NELSON'S CIVIC CAMPAIGN.

Preparing for Municipal Elections—
The Recent Rossland Explosion.

Nelson, Dec. 27.—The majority cam-
paign has now opened. There are three
candidates in the field, the one the al-
derman, Alderman Gillett, and the other
Alderman Malone, the latter being the
Progressive party candidate. Alderman
candidates are not yet in the field. Both
candidates are in favor of the city owning
its own power plant for the production of
electric light and power for small man-
ufacturers, though the former was recent-
ly in favor of a compromise being made
with the Kootenay Power Company, with
which the city is now in litigation over
the erection of the municipal plant. The
latter is no compromise man.

The recent success of British Columbia
fruit in London, England, and the gaining
of the gold medal by this province, to-
gether with the record of sales made in this
district, as showing the best exhibit, have
emboldened the Fruit Growers' Association
to incorporate, which will be done early
in the year. The new company is pro-
posed to have a capital of \$50,000, and market its
own fruit. The production for 1906 is
promised by Secretary Morley to be 45,
000 crates of strawberries alone, as against
25,000 for 1905.

Trouble at Rossland

It seems probable that unless the War
Eagle-Centre Star mines will arbitrate or
compromise with the municipality of Ros-
sland, its citizens and the neighboring mine
owners, it is in a fair way of having to
contest a number of suits for damages
brought by persons who have suffered
personal injury and others who have been
affected by damage done to their property
through the dynamite explosion. Last
week the War Eagle mine was able to
ship a little over 1,000 tons, and the cause
is ascribed to the damage done to its
compressed air and steam connections,
without which it would not be carried on.
Columbia avenue, the principal street
in Rossland, today is still boarded up,
every sheet of plate glass in the shops fac-
ing the powder magazine which blew up

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damage done to houses and buildings.
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corporate city, and any building is a pow-
der magazine which has stored within
anything more than 10 pounds of powder.

THE PLAYHOUSES.

Watson's Theatre
Good crowds attended both perfor-
mances of "Cinderella" at the Watson
Theatre yesterday afternoon and even-
ing, and the first half of the holiday
week at the Watson Theatre has been
successful from every point of view.
The last half of the week, starting
tonight, another strong bill will be
presented by the company. Manager
Watson has received many requests
for "Faust," as it is well known the
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Sets, Handsome Embroidered, Quilts,
Silk Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Embroidered
Cushion Covers, several pieces of Crepe,
Kimonos, Piano Hangers, China Jugs,
IVORY CARVINGS, ENAMELED BUT-
TONS, Toys of all kinds, Photo and Pic-
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